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FILM ON PANDIT NEHRU'S U. S. TOUR

Prime Minister Nehru accepts a four-reel, 35-minute film entitled "Pandit Nehru in the United States" presented to the Government of India by Metro-Goldwyn-Meyer representatives in India. The presentation at Parliament House on February 13, was made by Edward F. O'Connor, Regional Director of M-G-M, and Lee Kamern, Managing Director of M-G-M India Ltd. Shown above with the Prime Minister are Kamern (left) and O'Connor.—U.S.I.S. photo.

New Congress Plan For Common Man

PANT COMMITTEE TO REPORT

Executive's Decision

NEW DELHI, February 17, (PTI).

A FIVE-MAN special sub-committee with the U. P. Premier Pandit Pant as chairman would report to the Congress High Command within 30 days from now, on matters relating to an immediate constructive programme mainly on "Sarvodaya" lines to be given effect to by the Congress during the next 12 months.

This forms the operative part of a resolution adopted by the Congress Working Committee to-day when it concluded its two-day discussion on the problem of revitalising the Congress, before the country goes to the polls in her next general election.

By the resolution the Committee resolved to draw up "a programme for the country indicating the priorities which should be given effect to during the next twelve months; and further to indicate, in broad outlines, the nature of a five-year programme."

"The Committee's programme," the resolution further said, "should refer in particular to the part the Congress organisation should play in implementing it".

The special sub-committee would consist of Pandit Pant (Chairman), India's Labour Minister, Mr. Jagjivan Ram, Bombay's Labour Minister Mr. Gulzarilal Nanda, Congress Secretary Mr. Shankarrao Deo (Convenor) and Prof. N. G. Ranga.

ANXIETY

Mr. Kala Venkata Rao, General Secretary of the Congress, who gave the gist of the Working Committee's resolution, told the press that the resolution showed "the anxiety of the Congress to do something tangible to improve the lot of the common man of the country, who is suffering from certain scarcities".

Explaining the immediate programme and the 5-year programme as mentioned in the resolution, Mr. Rao said that the immediate programme would cover the interim period before the next general election, but this programme would "dovetail into a short-term programme of five years".

Asked whether the resolution represented "purely an economic programme" of the Congress or was aimed at "revitalising the Congress", Mr. Rao said that it meant both.

The economic part of the programme according to the Congress Secretary, would be based on "Sarvodaya lines" envisaging a "welfare state".

NEXT SESSION

The next session of the Indian National Congress will be held in the first week of July. This was decided by the Congress Working Committee to-day.

The venue of the session which is yet to be decided will probably be either Bangalore or Madras.

The firm stand of the High Command as envisaged in the decision of the Committee to dis-enfranchise the effective members enrolled in different States has been welcomed by a large number of A.I.C.C., members who have already arrived here to participate in the deliberations of the A.I.C.C., session which commences here tomorrow, adds U.P.I.

2 DERAILMENTS ON S. I. R.

Sabotage Feared

MADRAS, Feb. 17, (PTI).

TWO train derailments occurred on the South Indian Railway today. No fatal casualties are reported. Railway authorities suspect that the derailments were due to tampering with fish plates.

The first derailment occurred near Tuticorin station when 23 wagons and an engine of a goods train went off the rails this morning. One fireman was slightly injured.

The second accident occurred this morning at Tiruverumbur station in the Tanjore-Trichy section where three wagons of a goods train derailed during shunting.

Through running on the Trichinopoly-Tuticorin section has been interrupted between Milavittan and Tuticorin.

The District Traffic Superintendent in a communication from Tuticorin said that arrangements had been made for transhipment of passengers. Through running on this section was expected to be restored at 6 a.m. on Sunday.

In the Tanjore-Trichy section through running was restored at about 9-30 a.m. this morning.

WIRES CUT

Telegraph wires were found tampered with at two places last night near Vriddachalam station.

It is learnt that wires were found to have been cut at a place between Vriddachalam and Povalur railway stations and at another place between Vriddachalam and Mukasaparur stations. The wires have since been restored.

Point Four Plan Approved

45 MILLION CEILING

WASHINGTON, Feb. 17 (PTI-Reuter)—President Truman's Point Four Programme to aid the world's underdeveloped areas has been approved by the House of Representatives Foreign Affairs Committee, placing 45 million dollar ceiling on the amount to be spent.

Democratic Representative John Kee, of West Virginia, Chairman of the Committee, said the authorisation bill actually provided only 35 million dollars "new money."

The 45 million dollar limitation included seven million dollars already set aside for the Institute of Inter-American Affairs and three million dollars for the State Department's educational exchange programme.

The measure, a key feature in the Truman administration's policy for containing world Communism, would provide American technical assistance to non-Communist nations in developing their economies, he said.

Particular stress would be placed on health and education, but the measure would also cover subjects ranging from agriculture and reclamation to weather forecasting.

State Department surveys have pointed to Latin America, Asia and the Far East as the principal areas in need of development.

The Jessups In Calcutta

CALCUTTA, Feb. 17 (P.T.I.): Dr. Philip Jessup, the roving American Ambassador, and his wife arrived here today from Bangkok. They were accompanied by Mr. Loy Henderson, U.S. Ambassador in India, Mr. H. A. Doolittle, U.S. Charge D'Affaires in Karachi and Mr. A. Satterthwaite, U.S. Ambassador to Ceylon.

The party visited an American farm run by the American Friends Mission, about fifty miles from Calcutta, shortly after their arrival.

Commonwealth Loan To Burma

6 MILLION STERLING

LONDON, February 17.

THE Foreign Secretary, Ernest Bevin, told the Burmese Ambassador, U. Ohn, here today of a British Commonwealth decision to offer Burma a loan to stabilise the Burmese currency, it was learnt from usually reliable source.

The decision in principle to offer Burma such a loan is understood to have been taken at last month's conference of Commonwealth Foreign Ministers at Colombo. Since then discussions about the scale of the loan which have been in progress between various Commonwealth governments have been completed.

According to the same source, the proposed loan will amount to about six million sterlings and will be contributed by the British Government, India, Pakistan, Ceylon and Australia. The loan is understood to be offered without political strings of any kind.

Killed 265 Reds

SEOUL, Feb. 17, (PTI-Reuter): South Korean troops and police killed 265 Communists and captured 90, for the loss of 19 killed and 16 wounded during the first fortnight in February, the South Korean Defence Ministry claimed today.

The casualties occurred in 86 different incidents, it was stated.

Acheson 'Threatens' India: Nehru Stands Firm

Lid Off American Pressure Tactics On Kashmir Issue

WASHINGTON, Feb. 17, (PTI-Reuter).

A STATE DEPARTMENT spokesman said that he did not know "anything about private conversations "between Prime Minister of India, Pandit Nehru, and the U. S. Secretary of State, Mr. Dean Acheson, when he was asked today about a report in the American magazine "Newsweek" of an alleged "warning" to Pandit Nehru over Kashmir.

According to the magazine's diplomatic correspondent, "Last January Secretary Acheson privately warned Nehru India's failure to accept the Canadian General McNaughton's proposals as a basis for a Kashmir settlement, might force the U.N Security Council to take direct action.

"Nehru now regards this message as a threat. He also blames the State Department for propagandising the American press and public opinion in favour of the McNaughton proposals and has listed specified articles in United States periodicals as bearing the unmistakable signs of State Department inspiration."

(Recall what the Prime Minister said at his news conference on February 6: "There is far too much propaganda going on in the foreign press and elsewhere of the most blatant kind, and attempts have been made to bring pressure upon us, more especially in regard to Kashmir. I have never seen anything like it. That pressure has the effect of making it perfectly clear that these questions are not being considered on their merits, but because of entirely different reasons.")

No Official Mention Of E. Bengal Incidents

VIOLATIONS OF CHIEF SECRETARIES' PACT

CALCUTTA, February 17. (PTI).

THE West Bengal Government have it is learnt, sent a communication to the Government of East Bengal drawing their attention to the reports of communal incidents in different parts of East Bengal.

Reports of these incidents resulting in a number of casualties are being received in Calcutta from Chittagong, Feni, Brahmanbaria and other parts of East Bengal. But so far, no official mention of these incidents has been made by the East Bengal Government.

This withholding of official information is considered to be a violation of the agreement recently arrived at between the two Chief Secretaries of East Bengal and West Bengal.

The agreement stated that while newspapers in Calcutta and Dacca should not publish any story of communal incidents except the official account, each Government would give the fullest information to the other about the incidents occurring in their respective areas.

While the press notes issued by the West Bengal Government contained detailed information about the incidents in Calcutta, the official version of the East Bengal Government is considered to be "cryptic", without any detailed information about Dacca incidents or without any information at all about incidents in other areas in East Bengal.

REFUGEES RETURNING

CALCUTTA: Calcutta had a peaceful day today. Day curfew was lifted and the life of the city was normal. In a portion of Entally area, the displaced persons have returned home. It is expected that this process will gain more and more momentum everyday, states a press note issued tonight by the Government of West Bengal.

About 230 persons arrested in connection with this week's disturbances in Howrah, were released on bail today by the Sub-Divisional Officer of Howrah Sadar. The amount of bail ranged between Rs. 200 and Rs. 1,000/-.

About 100 others, who were also arrested for violation of curfew in that area, were also released on bail.

The Chief Presidency Magistrate of Calcutta today acquitted 57 persons, including a number of women, of charges of shouting objectionable slogans and making inflammatory speeches. He held that there was not sufficient evidence against them.

The prosecution stated that at a meeting organised by the Bengal Provincial Trade Union Congress on January 7, a number of speakers made inflammatory speeches. When police on duty challenged them, the police were greeted with crackers as a result of which some of the police-men sustained injuries.

Textile Crisis In Saurashtra

SUPPLY OF COTTON TO MILLS DELAYED

(From Our Correspondent)

RAJKOT, Feb. 17.

Both Gujarati and Saurashtra are confronted with a textile crisis owing to the Government of India's refusal to accede to the millowners' request to revise their methods of calculating the prices of cotton piecegoods.

Unaccountably enough, the second quota of cotton to be purchased by the mills has not yet been received, although the supplies of cotton from the Broach side have of late begun to arrive at Ahmedabad, resulting in a drop of Rs. 110 per candy in the Vijay variety of cotton.

Transport bottlenecks hamper the movement of cotton from the cotton tracts to the centres of textile industry.

U.S. ARMS FOR ASIA LIKELY SOON

Switch In Policy To Contain Reds

BANGKOK, Feb. 17 (PTI-Reuter)—High diplomatic quarters here today predicted a major adjustment in United States foreign policy in East Asia following the conference of United States Asian envoys which ended here yesterday.

Basis of the prediction was the belief that any positive diplomatic policy recommended by the envoys for halting Communism in East Asia would be worthless without armed aid which hitherto has been refused.

It is known that an influential section of the envoys at the conference believe it essential for the United States immediately to apply, in some form or other, the formula of military aid, originally intended for Formosa, to the most immediately threatened South-East Asian countries.

Those envoys assigned to the East Asia zone imminently threatened by the Communist revolutionary offensive are known to have acknowledged that prompt aid from the United States is essential at least to check Communist progress in territorial advances in East Asia.

WASHINGTON, Feb. 17 (P.T.I.-Reuter): British restrictions against imports of American fuel oil and petrol have been put into effect—despite United States protests—British officials said here today.

SOUTH AFRICAN COAL NO CHEAPER THAN INDIAN

Pakistan Reports Discounted

NEW DELHI, February 17, (PTI).

REPORTS of arrangements for the supply of South African coal in Pakistan at a price cheaper than that of Indian coal are discounted here.

India had been supplying Pakistan till the coal supply was suspended at the end of December about 170,000 tons to 200,000 tons a month. Over 75 percent of the coal was transported to Pakistan by rail. It is pointed out that by this method of transport Indian coal proved the cheapest than Pakistan could receive from anywhere in the world.

As compared to this, the coal supplies by sea were stated to be more expensive. Last March, a check up on the price of Indian coal as compared with South African coal supplied to Ceylon and Malaya, is said to have disclosed the fact that Indian shipborne coal was a few annas per ton cheaper than the South African coal. In the absence of any price control in South Africa, the South African exporters, it is stated, are likely to reduce their prices with a view to capturing the market in Pakistan but the charges for freight from Capetown and Lourenco Marques (sea port in Portuguese East Africa) would, it is felt, bring the cost up to the extent that Pakistan has to pay for seaborne Indian coal.

Informed circles further feel that as compared to the monthly supply of 200,000 tons from India, Pakistan is likely to get from South Africa not more than 50,000 tons a month.

KARACHI ORDER

KARACHI: The Administrator of Karachi has directed that Indian steam coal (Grade II) shall not be sold in Karachi at a rate higher than Rs. 55-10 per ton in open condition.

These rates will be applicable throughout the Karachi administered areas.

The Heat's On In Britain

(From Our Correspondent)

LONDON, February 17.

WITH less than a week to go for the "real thing", party big shots are busy with the final election roundups. Clem Attlee is feeling on top of his form after his 1,800-mile election tour, during which he was heckled only once.

Both the Tories and the Communists are hot on the trail of Ernie Bevin, about the safety of whose seat some anxiety is now being felt.

The irrepressible Irishmen have introduced song and colour into the elections by offering Ulster a Federal Plan, under which there will be an all-Ireland Parliament in Dublin and a local Parliament in Belfast. The only thing wanted of the North is acceptance of allegiance to Eire.

Naval Exercises In Palk Strait

INDIAN SQUADRON TO PARTICIPATE

NEW DELHI, Feb. 17, (UPI)..

THE INDIAN NAVAL SQUADRON led by INS. "Delhi", the flagship, will carry out exercises between February 27 and March 2, in conjunction with units of the Royal Navy.

The Indian Squadron will consist, apart from the flagship, of the three newly acquired destroyers, four frigates and a landing ship, INS "Avenger.' The exercises will be under the command of Admiral Sir Charles Woodhouse, R.N., C-in-C., East Indies Station.

EXPERIENCE

Experience would thus be provided in steaming and manoeuvring in company in close formation and tactical exercises both by day and by night. Each ship would know how to receive orders from the leading ship and how to carry them out.

The exercises would also help in study and research on problems relating to the development of new weapons and devices of naval warfare The naval scientists would then be able to study inventions in operation and, in the light of experience gained, think of modifications or of new inventions.

Tentatively, it is considered that for sea exercises the Palk Strait area would be suitable, at any rate when the monsoon is not on. It consists of a sheet of water 20 miles by 30 miles, and is away from the main sea lanes.

The exercises, it is stated, would be of a routine nature calculated to improve naval efficiency, and would have no other object.

TRUMAN ALARMED

Another Phase In The Armaments Race

NEW YORK, Feb. 17 (P.T.I.-Reuter): After news of the London atom secrets case, President Truman told the members of his Cabinet that he had "never been so alarmed over the international situation", wrote Mr. Drew Pearson, the news commentator today in his syndicated column "Washington Merry Go Round".

Mr. Pearson said that the President made the statement to "his official family" at his Cabinet luncheon. The President told them that he was alarmed not only on tip-offs to Russia, but because Russian war production was reported further advanced than United States intelligence had envisaged.

"The President and the Secretary of State revised foreign policy to include a defence plan based on the assumption that Russia now has all our atomic and hydrogen secrets," added Mr. Pearson.

Pleads Guilty Of Espionage

BUDAPEST, Feb. 17 (P.T.I.-Reuter): Mr. Edgar Sanders, a British businessman, pleaded guilty in the criminal court here today to charges of espionage and sabotage.

Mr. Robert Vogeler, an American, and five Hungarians including a woman were on trial with him.

EVACUEE PROPERTY BILL

Government's 'Liberal' Policy Criticised

NEW DELHI, Feb. 17 (PTI).

Parliament today continued the debate on Minister of State Mohanlal Saksena's motion that the Administration of Evacuee Property Bill be taken into consideration.

Members freely used Sanskrit, Persian and Punjabi quotations, picturesque phrases and strong language—all aimed at persuading Government that their policy was "too liberal" compared to that of Pakistan.

Mr. Syamanandan Sahay (Bihar) said that to attempt to help the refugees without wounding the susceptibilities of evacuees who had gone to Pakistan would be "exceedingly difficult, if not bordering on lunacy."

Mr. H. V. Kamath was the first member to take advantage of the new rules permitting a member to raise discussion on answers given in the House during question hour.

He raised discussion today on the Enquiry Committee's report on the KLM plane crash near Santa Cruz aerodrome at Bombay on July 12, 1949, in which all aboard a Dutch Constellation—11 crew and 34 passengers, including 13 American journalists—perished when it struck a hill in bad weather conditions.

(Details on Page 2)

48 Detenus Go On Fast In Poona

POONA, Feb. 17, (PTI).

IT is learnt that fortyeight of the fortynine detenus on hunger-strike commenced their fast yesterday. Thirteen detenus in the jail have not joined in the hunger-strike and of those on fast six are women.

The condition in the jail is understood to be "completely peaceful."

MADRAS: The three-man non-official tribunal, appointed by the Madras Government to inquire into the recent incident in Salem jail will commence work in a couple of days, it was officially stated today. The tribunal's proceedings will be held "in camera" and it will complete its work in ten days.

The terms of reference of the tribunal, according to an official announcement today, will include (1) whether the jail staff had adequate justification for opening fire, (2) whether in all circumstances of the case, the force employed was excessive, and (3) whether it was at all possible for the jail staff to have exercised any greater restraint.

HALF A LAKH FOR A CHANGE

CALCUTTA, Feb. 17.

THE removal of the British administration's Coat of Arms from seven important Government buildings in Calcutta and their replacement by the new crest will have cost the West Bengal Government half a lakh of Rupees, according to the revised budget estimates for 1949-50. The work was completed on January 26 last.

A further sum of Rs. 6,000 has been earmarked in the next year's budget for the same purposes.—UPI.

All Governor To Meet

JAIPUR, Feb. 17, (PTI): President Rajendra Prasad will hold a meeting of the Governors and Rajpramukhs of States on March 18 and 19 in New Delhi, it is learnt here.

Chundrigar Is Governor

KARACHI, Feb. 17, (PTI-Reuter): Mr. Ismail Ibrahim Chundrigar, Pakistan's Ambassador to Kabul, has been appointed Governor of the North-West Frontier Province, it was announced here today.

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Dated Allahabad, February 6, 1950. 7166

NOTICE

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1) 1 Deputy Superintendent in scale of Rs. 200-10-260-15-350
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2. The posts are temporary for the present but are likely to be made permanent in due course.

3. Candidates applying for the post of Deputy Superintendent must be an M.Sc. or a B.Sc. with honours in Chemistry with at least five years' experience in any Salt Works or with similar experience in research work. Candidates for the posts of Inspectors must be a B.Sc. with chemistry as one of the subjects, preferably with experience of analytical work in a chemical laboratory. The age limit will be 25 years on the 1st March, 1950 but special relaxation may be made upto 30 years in the case of candidates with experience applying for the post of the Deputy Superintendent.

4. Applications with certified copies of the degree and the Matriculation certificates and two copies of testimonials of character should be addressed to the Deputy Salt Controller, Exchange Building, Ballard Estate, Bombay No. 1, so as to reach him not later than the 1st March, 1950. Candidates will be called for interview at Bombay at their own expense. Candidates must be residents of the States of Bombay, Madhya Pradesh, Union of Saurashtra or Cutch.

D. N. MUKERJEE
Salt Controller for India,
NEW DELHI

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BOMBAY MUNICIPALITY

NOTICE

APPLICATIONS are invited on prescribed forms obtainable from the undersigned from domiciles of Bombay Presidency only for the following posts:-

1. Refractionist.
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SALARY: Posts at serial Nos. 3 and 4 carry an honorarium of Rs. 100|- per month and the rest Rs. 85|- per month.

The selected candidates for posts Nos. 3 and 4 will be on probation for one year. The tenure of appointment for the post of Refractionist is upto July 1950, and that for the post of Hon. Asstt. Orthopaedic Surgeon and Asstt. Lecturer in Orthopaedic Surgery is upto 8th September, 1950.

Candidates will be required to appear for an interview at their own expense.

Applications should reach the undersigned on or before 6th March, 1950.

By order of the
Municipal Commissioner
S. G. VENGSARKAR.
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NOTICE

APPLICATIONS are invited for posts of Clerks in the Schools Committee's Office. Candidates must have at least passed Matric or S.S.C. Examination. The selected candidates will have to work in leave vacancies before being appointed to permanent posts and will be subject to the Bombay Municipal Service Rules and Regulations. The age of the candidate should not be below 18 and above 35 years.

Applications must be submitted in prescribed forms which can be had from this office and should be addressed to the Secretary, Schools Committee, Glider Tank Building, Lamington Road, Bombay (7), so as to reach her on or before the 27th February 1950.

(Miss) K. KHANDVALA,
Secretary, Schools Committee.
Bombay, 14th February, 1950.

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APPLICATIONS are invited from Business Firms for Registering their names with the Undertaking for a period of one year from 1st April, 1950, for supplying materials in different categories as mentioned in the schedule, which can be seen in the Chief Store Keeper's Office, Electric House, Post Fort, Bombay No. 1.

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PUBLIC NOTICES

BY THE COMMISSIONER OF POLICE

No. 1298|151-Impt.—With reference to his Notification No. 2176|151-Impt., dated the 8th November, 1949, and in exercise of the powers conferred by section 74 of the Motor Vehicles Act, 1939 (IV of 1939), read with Government Notification, Revenue Department, No. 3680-E|39, dated the 30th April, 1940, the Commissioner of Police, Bombay, having been satisfied that it is necessary in the interest of public safety and because of the nature of the road is pleased to prohibit for a period of five years the use of Vanka Moholla, off Kolbhat Lane, Chira Bazar, by all goods vehicles with R.L.W. exceeding 14,500 lbs.

K. D. BILLIMORIA,
Commissioner of Police, Bombay.
Head Police Office,
Bombay. 18th January, 1950.

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PUBLIC NOTICES

UNION PUBLIC SERVICE COMMISSION

Advertisement No. 7.

APPLICATIONS accompanied by a Treasury Receipt or a Crossed Indian Postal Order for Rs. 7-8 (Rs. 1-14 for Scheduled Castes, tribal and aboriginal communities candidates), invited for the undermentioned posts from nationals of Indian Union by birth or by domicile. Persons of Indian descent or citizens of the Indian States which have not acceded to the Indian Union or of the Pakistan Dominion or of any other territory adjacent to India are also eligible but a declaration of eligibility issued by the Government of India will be necessary in their case before appointment. SEPARATE APPLICATION WITH SEPARATE FEE REQUIRED FOR EACH POST. The Crossed Postal Order should be marked payable to Secretary, Union Public Service Commission, at New Delhi Post Office. Cheques or Money Orders not accepted. Candidates applying from outside India should deposit their fees with the High Commissioner for India or the Indian Ambassador or the Government of India's Agent as the case may be and attach the receipts to their applications. The Commission may at their discretion remit the application fee where they are satisfied that the applicant is a BONA FIDE displaced person and is not in a position to pay the prescribed fee. No candidate will be considered for appointment unless he appears for a personal interview if called upon to do so. Upper age limit relaxable by three years for Scheduled Castes, tribal and aboriginal communities candidates and displaced persons. For others age limits will be strictly adhered to save in exceptional circumstances and in no case beyond a limit of three years. Two weeks' extension allowed to candidates residing abroad.

PART—A

Closing date for receipt of applications for following post is 4TH MARCH, 1950. Applications may be submitted on plain paper giving the undermentioned particulars. 1. Name of the post for which applying. 2. Name and address. 3. Father's name. 4. Date and place of birth. 5. Domicile. 6. Qualifications. 7. Previous experience 8. Full details (with dates and salary drawn) of previous employment if any. 9. Minimum initial salary acceptable. 10. Names with addresses of three persons as references. They should be holders of responsible positions but must not be relations.

ONE SENIOR MASTER (HISTORY) PRINCE OF WALES ROYAL INDIAN MILITARY COLLEGE, DEHRA DUN, UNDER THE MINISTRY OF DEFENCE. Post temporary and non-pensionable. Appointment will be made on contract for five years and terminable on 3 months' notice on either side. Probation 12 months. Selected candidate to join duty immediately after selection. Provident Fund benefits and free quarters admissible. PAY: Rs. 300-25-550. AGE: Below 30 years. No age limits for persons already serving at P.W.R.I.M. College. QUALIFICATIONS: (i) Master's degree in History of a recognised University. (ii) 3 years' teaching experience. (iii) Proficiency in games.

PART—B

Closing date for receipt of applications for following items is 18TH MARCH, 1950. Particulars and application forms from Secretary, Union Public Service Commission, Parliament House, Post Box No. 186, New Delhi. Candidates should specify name of post while applying for forms. Candidates from outside India may apply on plain paper if prescribed application forms are not available.

1. ONE ASSISTANT SECRETARY, LIBRARY AND INFORMATION BUREAU, CENTRAL WATERPOWER, IRRIGATION AND NAVIGATION COMMISSION, MINISTRY OF WORKS, MINES AND POWER. Central Service Class I. Post temporary for the present but likely to be made permanent eventually. Candidates who had already applied in response to the Commission's advertisement No. 67 of 1949 need not apply again. PAY: Rs. 350-350-380-380-30-590-E. B.-30-770-40-850. Higher initial pay may be offered to specially well-qualified candidate according to the following scale: (a) Age upto 33 years, experience upto 10 years—Rs. 590/-, (b) Age above 33 and upto 40 years, experience upto 17 years—Rs. 770/-, (c) Age above 40 years—Rs. 770/-. The pay of engineering officers recruited from services in the Provincial Governments will be fixed in accordance with the Works, Mines and Power Ministry's letter No. DW. II-3(39), dated the 21st May, 1949. AGE: Between 25 and 40 years. Relaxable for Government servants. QUALIFICATIONS: ESSENTIAL—(i) Degree in Civil Engineering from a recognised Indian or Foreign University or A.M.I.E. (India) or equivalent qualification. OR Degree in Electrical and Mechanical Engineering of a recognised University or A.M.I.E. (India) or equivalent qualification. (ii) Should have worked as a Sub-Divisional Officer in P.W.D. Irrigation Branch or HYDEL Branch. (iii) At least 5 years' experience of Electrical OR Mechanical works. Preference will be given to one who has experience of both civil and electrical works. (iv) Should be able to write good English. DESIRABLE—Knowledge of foreign languages.

2. ONE SECRETARY (ADMINISTRATIVE) TO THE CAPTAIN-SUPERINTENDENT, H.M.I. DOCKYARD, BOMBAY UNDER THE MINISTRY OF DEFENCE. Central Service—Class II. Post permanent and pensionable. PAY: Rs. 650-30-800. Higher initial pay up to the maximum of the scale and an additional pay up to Rs. 350/- p.m. may be granted to a specially well-qualified and experienced candidate. AGE: No age limits. QUALIFICATIONS: (i) Degree with Mathematics, Physics or Chemistry, OR Degree in Mechanical or Electrical Engineering of a recognised University or A.M.I.E. (India) or equivalent qualification. (ii) Must have worked in a supervisory capacity in a Dockyard or Ship building Yard for at least 5 years and must possess first-hand experience and knowledge of ship construction and ship repairs and planning, production and estimating methods as adopted in modern shop practice. (iii) Full knowledge of current labour legislation, statutory rules and regulations and factory management. (iv) Full knowledge of the type and working conditions, etc. required both for technical and non-technical staff employed in an installation like a Naval Dockyard.

3. 13 LABOUR OFFICERS IN CENTRAL GOVERNMENT UNDERTAKINGS, MINISTRY OF LABOUR, CENTRAL SERVICE—CLASS II. 2 posts temporary for the present but likely to become permanent, 1 post temporary for 5 years only and remaining posts temporary for an indefinite period. Four posts reserved for Scheduled Castes candidates but will be treated as unreserved to the extent necessary if no such suitable candidates are forthcoming. Other things being equal, preference will be given to candidates from the working classes. PAY: Rs. 275-25-500-E. B.-30-650-E. B.-30-800. AGE: Between 24 and 40 years. QUALIFICATIONS: ESSENTIAL—(i) Degree of a recognised University, preferably in Social Sciences or Economics. (ii) Some experience of Labour Welfare work in an organisation employing substantial labour force DESIRABLE—Successful completion of a recognised training course in social work like that of the Calcutta University or the Tata Institute of Social Sciences, Bombay or Kashi Vidyapith Benares.

NOTE: Preference will be given to Employment Officers of the Directorate General of Resettlement and Employment who have either been retrenched already or are proposed to be retrenched but they should possess the essential qualifications.

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AUCTION SALES

Auction Sale of New and Secondhand 40 Typewriters of Well-known makers such as Standard, Portable, Remington, Underwood, Royal etc., in working condition, and one Duplicator on Monday, 20th inst. at 2-30 p.m. at 72, Medows Street, Fort, under instructions from the party concerned.

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AUCTION SALE OF UNCLAIMED GOODS

Messrs. GANDHI & CO. will, under instructions from G.I.P. Rly. and in accordance with Sections 55 and 56 of Indian Railways Act IX of 1890, sell by Public Auction on Wednesday, 8-3-'50, at 11 a. m. at Wadi Bunder, Unclaimed Goods Office, the unclaimed goods including: Sugar Sweeping, Bags of G. N. Seeds, Cotton Seeds, Castor Seed, Cotton, Tea H. H. Effect, Cycle Parts, Elec. Goods, Toilet, Medicines, E. I. Casks, C. P. E. I. Barrels, Goods Locks Etc.

TERMS—50 p. c. Cash deposit and delivery to be taken on or before 17-3-'50

UNIQUE OPPORTUNITY TO INVESTORS

AUCTION SALE OF VERY VALUABLE IMMOVABLE PROPERTY AT GIRGAUM BACK ROAD.

M/s GANDHI & CO., will under instructions from M/S Chandrasen & Co., Attorneys for Mortgagees pursuant to Mortgage of 14-9-'39 and extended by Transfer of Mortgage and Further Charge of 24-1-'49 and on account and at risk of Bai Diwalibai alias Dilubs widow of Girjashanker Vajeshanker Shahiwala and others sell by Public Auction undermentioned immovable property on Thursday, 9-3-'50 at 4 p. m. (S.T.) on premises.

All that piece of pension and tax tenure (demised of Indenture of Lease of 26-4-1905) with dwelling house at junction of Girgaum Back Road. (Vithalbhai Patel Road) and Dubash Lane admeasuring 409 sq. Yds. or thereabouts and bearing New No. 7/1214 New Survey No. 18/7410 and C.S. No. 637 of Girgaum Division and 'D' Ward No. 1614 and present Street No. 178.

For further particulars apply to M/S Chandrasen & Co. Solicitors, Alli Chambers, Fort or to us.

AUCTION SALE OF IMMOVABLE PROPERTIES AT CARPENTER STREET AND VILLE-PARLE.

M/S GANDHI & CO., will under instructions from The Court Receiver High Court, Bombay as Receiver, appointed in High Court Suit No. 452 of 1944 by (Abubakar Haji Hasan versus Fatmabai alias Faffoobai widow of Adam Haji Abubakar) pursuant to consent Decree made in above suit on 31-1-'49 sell by Public Auction undermentioned properties on following dates, places in separate Lots on their respective premises.

AUCTION ON MONDAY, 6-3-'50 AT 4 P.M. (S.T.)

LOT NO. 1—All that piece of land of Quit and Ground Rent Tenure with dwelling house at Carpenter Street, Mazagaon (also known as Koliwada) admeasuring 69 sq. yds. or thereabouts bearing New Nos. 11677 and 11678 New Survey No. 3462 and C.S. No. 170 of Mazagaon Division and "B" Ward No. 6935 Street Nos. 12-14-16 (old) and No. 12 (New) and bounded as follows that is to say on South by Carpenter Lane, on North by Sweeper's passage or Gully, on East by property belonging to Trustees of Port of Bombay and on West by property of Bai Laxmibai widow of Drama Damaji.

AUCTION ON WEDNESDAY, 8-3-'50 AT 4 P. M. (S.T.)

LOT NO. 2—All that piece of land at Ville-Parle bearing City Survey No. 74 in East Gowthan at Ville-Parle admeasuring about 45 sq. Yds. with house and latrines bearing Parle Andheri Municipality No. 74 in "B" Ward.

For further particulars apply to M/S Nagindas Hooseinalli & Co. Solicitors at Yusuf Building, Fort or to us.

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AUCTION SALES

BONAFIDE SALE

AUCTION SALE TO-MORROW (SUNDAY) at 10-30 A.M. Property of J. Morris, Esqr. and others at Babulal Mansion, Chawpatty Sea Face of complete Household and Office Furniture, Eng. Phillips and other Safe, Steel Almirah, Hand and Foot Machine, Radio, Type Writer Elec. Fan, Wall Clock, Eng. large Ice Box, Vono Bed, Dining, Writing & Dressing Table, Chairs, Side-Board, Show Case, Chesterfield, Almirah, Bed Partition, H.M.V. Gramophone, Hall Carpets etc. (S. Tax) T. 40213. EASTERN AUCTION CO.

AUCTION SALE of about 47712 Magnets on 22'2.50 at 10-30 A.M. at Indian Government Mint, by order of Regional Disposal Commissioner. Terms: 25 p. c. Deposit.

BENNETT & CO.

AUCTION SALE OF 77 BALES PUNJAB DESHI COTTON

Messrs. Menesse & Co. will sell by Public Auction on Wednesday the 22nd February 1950 at 2-30 P.M. (S.T.) at Sewree Cotton Depot near Water Tank next to C Godown No. 1 by order of the Insurance Office concerned the above mentioned Cotton damaged.

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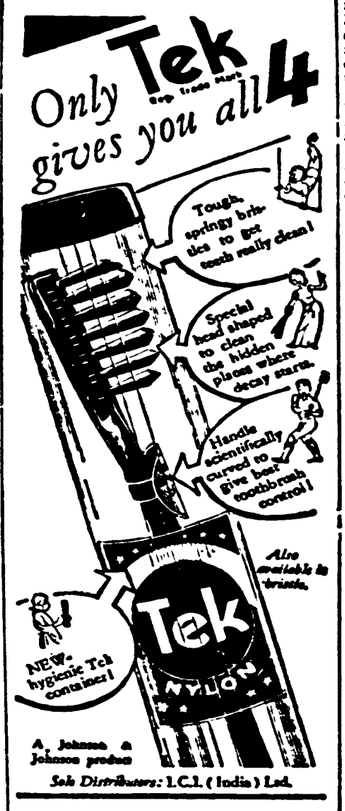
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MOTION FOR STAY OF SUIT

Validity Of Contract To Be Decided

(Before the Hon'ble Mr. Justice Bhagwati).

Himatlal Kalidas Mehta Applicant (Defendant)
vs.
Mahavirprasad Morarka Respondent (Plaintiff).

The defendant made this application by way of Notice of Motion for stay of a suit filed against him by the plaintiff to recover a sum of Rs. 36,000/- on the ground that the agreements in suit contained arbitration clauses.

The agreements in suit were entered into in October 1948 for the purchase by the plaintiff from the defendant of certain shares of the Kalyan Mills Ltd. at Ahmedabad and of Messrs. Kalidas Motibhai Mehta & Sons Ltd. who were its agents. Towards part-payment of the price of the shares, the plaintiff had paid Rs. 36,000. The agreements contained a clause that all disputes were to be referred to the sole arbitration of Mr. Tricumdas Dwarkadas, Solicitor, of Messrs. Kanga & Co. Disputes thereafter arose, the plaintiff contending that the agreements were void under section 6 of the Bombay Securities Control Act. He further contended that Mr Tricumdas was disqualified from acting as an arbitrator as he was a material witness to the agreements, and on the ground that he was biased as he had acted as solicitor for the defendant even after disputes had arisen. The plaintiff thereupon filed this suit to recover Rs. 36,000/- as restoration of benefit on the contract being discovered to be void, or in the alternative, as compensation for failure by the defendant to perform the contract within the time specified-time being of the essence of the contract. The defendant then took out the present motion applying for stay of the suit in view of the arbitration clause in the agreements in suit.

His Lordship held that the arbitrator was not disqualified from acting because the plaintiff knew that he was and would continue to act as the solicitor of the defendant. His Lordship, however, held that the arbitrator had no jurisdiction to determine the validity of the contract itself. His Lordship, therefore, ordered the motion to stand over till the issue of the validity of the contracts was determined by the Court.

Mr. S. T. Desai and Mr G. A. Thakkar instructed by Messrs. Nandlal & Co. appeared for the defendant in support of the motion.

Mr. Chari (from Madras) and Mr J. S. Davda instructed by Messrs. Little & Co., appeared for the plaintiff to oppose it.

HISTORY OF FIGHT FOR FREEDOM

Committee Set Up To Conduct Research

NEW DELHI, Feb. 17 (PTI): The Government of India is planning an elaborate investigation and research for compiling a history of the freedom movement in India.

A Committee under the Chairmanship of Dr. Tara Chand, Secretary, Education Ministry, Government of India, has been set up to collect material from all possible sources for the purpose.

The first meeting of the Committee which recently met decided to undertake a detailed survey from 1870, a few years before the foundation of the Indian National Congress, to August 15, 1947, the day of Indian independence.

While thorough investigations in India will be made for past documents and records, enquiries will also be made abroad.

LIBERALISM MADE BRITAIN GREAT

Call To Fight Tories

LONDON, Feb. 16. (PTI-Reuter): Mr. Clement Davies leader of the British Liberal Party in Parliament claimed in a broadcast tonight that a recent poll showed that 13 million British people would prefer a Liberal Government.

The British mode of life was a liberal mode of life.

"British freedoms and independence had been won by Liberals.

We fought the Tories to win those freedoms" he said

He asserted "We fight the Socialists to maintain them"

Britain, he claimed led the world for so long entirely because of the application of Liberal principles.

The Liberal outlook on life was badly wanted throughout the world.

IMPORT DUTY ON TEXTILES

Pakistan Move To Increase

KARACHI, Feb. 16. (PTI-Reuter):— Chaudhri Nazir Ahmed Khan, Pakistan's Industries Minister, announced here today that his Government had under consideration a proposal to increase the import duty and to introduce quantitative restriction on the import of textiles "to give protection to the indigenous textile industry."

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Sunrise: 7-6 a.m. Sunset: 6-40 p.m.
Hightide: 01-04, 13-12.
Lowtide: 07-20, 19-06.

Domestic Occurrence

UTHAMANA CEREMONY

Ojha Vaidya Rattan Maharaj Sukhramdas Tejbhandas, formerly of Karachi, 78, passed away peacefully on Friday the 17th early morning. Uthamana (Chantha) at his residence Laxmi Estate, Nagardas Road, Andheri East on Sunday the 19th at 5-30 P.M. I.S.T. Karachi papers kindly copy.

Today's Engagements

THE P. E. N ALL-INDIA CENTRE: Prof. Syed Nancy of the University of Tehran to speak on "The Mystic Poetry of the Sufis", in Durbar Hall, 6-15 p.m.

LABOUR COLLEGE: Mr. Asoka Mehta to speak on "Cultural Aspects of Socialism", at Podar College, Matunga, 4-30 p.m.

SHREE K. D. O. JAIN HIGH SCHOOL, BOMBAY: Annual gathering in the School Hall, 6-30 p.m.

THE JAI HIND COLLEGE: Mr. Justice N H. Bhagvati, Vice-Chancellor of the University of Bombay, will preside over the annual prize distribution function 5-30 p.m.

RADICAL HUMANIST SOCIETY: Mr. G. Narayanan will initiate discussion on "Marxism and the Problem of Freedom", at Rawat Mansion, Lady Jamshedji Road, Dadar, 5 p.m.

KALA VIKAS, HINDU COLONY, DADAR: Screening of M G. M.'s "The Yearling" at Podar College Hall, Matunga, 6-30 p.m.

ST. ANDREW'S HIGH SCHOOL, BANDRA: Annual Athletic Sports 3 p.m., Sir Fazal Ibrahim Rahimtoola, Sheriff of Bombay, will preside and give away prizes.

THE NATIONAL MISSIONARY SOCIETY: Sale in aid of the Society at the Hume High School, Byculla, from 3 p.m

B. P. C C.: Dr. N. S. Hardikar, Founder of the Congress Seva Dal Movement, will speak on "Volunteer Organisation" at Congress House on Sunday, 9 a.m

BOMBAY PROVINCIAL TRADE UNION COMMITTEE: Public meeting to condemn firing in Nasik and Salem Jails at 8-30 p.m. at Napoo Gardens, Matunga.

J. KRISHNAMURTI: Discourses, every Sunday, Tuesday and Thursday. Place: Sundcrabai Hall Terrace, Queens Road, Time: 6 p.m.

TODAY'S RADIO

SATURDAY, Feb. 18.

Air News From Delhi

English 8 a.m 1-30 p.m. 6, 9 Gujarati 8-45 a.m 1 p.m. 7-15; Hindustani 8-15 a.m. 1-40 p.m. 6-10 9-15; Kannada 7-45 a.m. 7-45 p.m. Malayalam 7-30 a.m. 7-30 p.m Marathi 8-30 a.m. 12-50 p.m. 8; Tamil 7-15 a.m. 2 p.m. 7-15 Telugu 7 a.m 1-50 p.m. 7.

BOMBAY

7-30 a.m. Bhor bhaee, 7-40 Physical education, 7-40 Today's programme, 7-45 S. Bharucha Musical Centre party, garbigeet, 8-15 J. Mattoo, kh. v.d., 12-45 p.m. Tantrakari, 12-50 S. Bharucha Musical Centre party, garbigeet, 1-10 Nandial, G. songs, 1-40 Listeners' postbag, 5-0 B. N. Vadeker, bhimpalas, 5-15 Ambadas, pakhwaj, 5-30 For children, 6-10 Singhui, rabab, 6-20 B. N. Vadekar, khyal, 6-30 Music theory and practice, 7-0 Day's topic, 7-10 Locals, 7-20 J. Mattoo, v.d., 7-45 For industrial workers, 8-30 Listeners replies, 8-40 Musical interlude, 9-15 Ambadas, pakhwaj, 9-30 Film songs. 9-45 Films review, 9-55 Anything goes.

VARIATIONS: 8-0 a.m. Ambadas paphwaj, 8-45 Saraswati Rane, M. songs, 1-0 p.m. Pramodni Desai, M. songs, 1-30 Mandalal, G. songs, 1-50 Variety, M. 6-0 Manikrao, K. bhajan, 6-20 For rural listeners, 7-30 Commercial news, 8-15 Pramodni Desai, M. songs, 8-45 S. Oak, "kala paay", M. 9-0 Folk songs 10-0 Saraswati Rane, kh.v.d.

BARODA

7-30 a.m. Vandana, 7-40 Yogic exercises, 7-45 P. T. Dinderkar, bansi, 8-15 S. K. Panchakshari, cl. music, 5-30 As in Ahmedabad, 5-45 P. Sahastrabuddhe, kh puria, 6-10 P. T. Dinderkar, bansi, 6-20 K. Mishra, bhajan, 6-30 For rural listeners, 7-0 As in Ahmedabad, 7-15 S. K. Panchakshari, cl. music, 7-30 K. Mishra, bhajan, 7-45 P. Sahastrabuddhe, I. kedar, 8-0 Garbi geets, 8-10 Locals 8-30 S. K. Panchakshari, kh. bihag, 9-30 R. V. Desai, "bhakta kavi Dayaram" documentary.

AHMEDABAD

7-30 M. P. Marwadi, bhajan, 7-40 Yogic exercises, 7-45 and 8-15 As in Baroda, 5-30 p.m V. Kansara's party pads, 5-45 and 6-10 As in Baroda, 9-30 M. P. Marwadi, kh. bhimpalas, 6-45 V Kansara's party, bhajan dhun, 7-0 Hari bol, 7-15 Listeners' letters replies, 7-30 For industrial workers 8-0 As in Baroda 8-10 Locals. 8-30 and 9-30 As in Baroda

B. B. C.

SATURDAY, FEB. 18

GENERAL OVERSEAS SERVICE, 6-45 A Talk 8 Take it from Here 7-30 Export Jigsaw 8 Music Magazine 8-15 World Affairs 8-45 Music for Dancing 10 Marcel Gardner and His Serenade Orchestra 11 Sports Review 11-15 Listeners' Choice 11-45 Listeners' Choice 12-45 Programme Parade 1 Band of the Royal Horse Guards 1-30 British Concert Hall 2-30 The Riddle of the Sands : Ray's A Laugh 3-30 Tip-Top Tunes 4 Music for Piano and Orchestra 4-45 Accordeon Interlude 5 Generally Speaking 5-30 From the Editorials 5-45 John Bull's Band 6-15 Voice of the Violin 6-45 BBC Opera Orchestra 7-30 Radio Newsreel 7-45 Music from the Movies 8-30 Sports or Music 9-45 Sports or Music 10 Meet the Commonwealth 10-30 Three's Company

EASTERN SERVICE 7-30 The Canterbury Tales 8 Bachchon Ke Liye 8-30 Bichitra.

The Hon'ble Mr. Justice M. C. Chagla, unveiled the portrait of late Thakkar Valiabhji Ramji yesterday at Bharatiya Vidya Bhavan.

Bombay Educationist Felicitated

BOMBAY, Friday.

Diwan Bahadur K. M. Jhaveri, the well-known social reformer and educationist of Bombay, was felicitated for his valuable services at a function held at the Bharatiya Vidya Bhuvan, Chowpatty, this evening. Mr. Justice Chagla presided.

Mr. Chagla paying a tribute said that Diwan Bahadur Jhaveri was a great lover of literature and his scholarship was unique Not only the city of Bombay but the whole of Gujerat should be grateful to him for his services to the Gujerati literature.

Mr. Jivraj Mehta called him the "Grand Old Man of Gujerat" who even at the age of 82 was serving his country. Prof. M. D. Altekar, Mrs. Lilavati Munshi, Sir B. N. Karanjia and others also paid tributes. Diwan Bahadur Jhaveri made a suitable reply.

Two libraries one named after the late Thakkar Vallabhji Ramji and the other, Diwan Bahadur K. M. Jhaveri, were opened by the Chief Justice in the premises of the Bhuwan. A Bal Pustakalaya for the children was also declared open by Mr. Chagla.

For Adjudication

The Industrial dispute between the Parle-Andheri Borough Municipality (including Jogeshwari) and its workers has been referred for adjudication to the Industrial Tribunal of Mr. Salim M. Merchant. The dispute between the New India Industries, Limited, Bombay, and its workers has also been referred for adjudication to the Industrial Tribunal of Mr. I. G. Thakore.

Raw Cotton Export To Japan

In continuation of notice of February 16, 1950, by the Deputy Chief Controller of Export, Bombay, it is notified that the quantity passed for shipment upto February 17, 1950, is about 45,900 bales. The total quantity covered by shipping bills filed on February 16 and 17 which are still to be considered is about 18,000 bales as against the quantity of about 15,350 bales available for shipment. No shipping bills for export of raw cotton to Japan will therefore be entertained with effect from February 18.

Fluted And Tin Rollers Industry

TARIFF BOARD INQUIRY

BOMBAY, Friday.

THE Government of India, Ministry of Commerce, have referred the claim for protection or assistance to the fluted and tin rollers industry to the Tariff Board for investigation. The Board has decided to hold the public inquiry into this industry at an early date. The Board's questionnaires for producers, importers and consumers of the above articles are now ready for issue. Firms, associations and persons interested in this industry or in the industries dependent on the use of the products, who desire that their views should be considered by the Board may obtain copies of the questionnaires from the Secretary, Indian Tariff Board, Contractor Building, Nicol Road, Ballard Estate, Bombay 1. Replies to the questionnaire, representations and memoranda, which they wish to submit, should be sent, in nine copies, to the Secretary, Indian Tariff Board, not later than March 31, 1950.

Neera Sub-Committee

BOMBAY, Friday.

The manufacture of useful products from the leaves, fibres and juice of palm trees on a commercial basis was decided upon by the Neera Sub-Committee of the Bombay State Prohibition Board at its meeting at the Secretariat, today.

Among those who attended the meeting were Mr. L. M. Patil, Minister for Excise, Mr V. L. Mehta, Minister for Finance, Mr. M. D. Bhansali, Prohibition and Excise Commissioner, Mr. Krishnadas Shah, Honorary Chief Organiser, Neera Scheme, Bombay and Sjt. Gajanan Rao Naik, Palm Gur Adviser to the Government of India.

The Committee decided that the period for an award of Rs. 10,000 for a preservative for Neera should be extended up to September 30, 1950.

Products such as chocolates, biscuits, sweets, mats, etc., made out of palm leaves, fibres and juice were exhibited on the occasion.

The Pulse Of The City

ASSAULTED: Two conductors of the B.E.S.T. Mohammed Aslam Suleman Ahmed and Sheikh Abdul Mumtazali, were arrested Thursday evening on the charge of assaulting a passenger. The passenger, it would appear, wanted to get down at the Kohinoor Mills stop in Dadar, but the bus was not stopped leading to an altercation, and when the bus reached Khodad Circle, the conductors were reported to have assaulted the passenger. The police then arrested them.

CHARGED: Sir Currimbhoy Ibrahim, Lady Ibrahim and Ayeshabai, their domestic servant, arrested by the police for returning to India without a permit were produced before a Presidency Magistrate and charge-sheeted as persons from West Pakistan who had returned to India via Colombo without a permit from the Indian High Commissioner in Karachi. They had left in February 1949, and returned to Bombay in October 1949. The defence contention was that under the Government of India notification, a person leaving India with a permit bearing a "no objection" certificate, could return without a permit. Further hearing will take place on March 1.

DUPED: Stan Monteiro, a clerk, was promised a quick way of making money, namely, a sure-fire "sutta" tip. It was a stranger who made the offer but the Sadhu to whom Monteiro was introduced was impressive, and when he asked the clerk to leave his belongings amounting to Rs. 400 in his care and get some flowers, the clerk did so without hesitation. And when he came back he found neither the Sadhu nor his "friend". And of course, the "satta" tip did not materialise.

STOPPED: Communist-led processionists who wanted to protest before the Council Hall where Bombay's Assembiy is meeting were stopped by the Police at Dhobi Talao where they squatted for an hour and shouted anti-Government slogans. They dispersed after 1 p.m.

SEIZED: The Bombay Central Police seized 21 pounds of "ganja" and two pounds of "bhang" when they arrested Mansukhlal Girdarlal, Thursday, at Dadar station. The accused, said to be a member of a gang, imported the contraband from Bhavanagar. It was concealed cleverly in film roll boxes.

BROKE: The Lamington Police who arrested Rajana Bardhari and Nanja Kuldana, Thursday, told the Presidency Magistrate at Girgaum that the accused broke open the shop of the complainant on Tuesday afternoon and stole cloth and cash valued at Rs. 5,000. They were remanded into custody.

ARRESTED: Damodar Purshottam, manager of a city cloth stores, was arrested on a charge of buying mill cloth without the necessary permit. His bail period was extended.

FELL: Joseph Louis Pinto accidentally fell down from the fifth floor of the Waterloo Mansion, Thursday, and died instantaneously.

WAYLAID: A pedestrian walking along Reay Road at 8-30 p.m., Thursday night, saw a car suddenly pulling up alongside and three persons stepping out. Before he could count one, he was thrust inside the car where he was searched and relieved of his belongings. The car then stopped at a lonely part of the road, and the pedestrian was asked to get out. He was so surprised by the incident, that he forgot to take down the number of the car, nor does he remember any details connected with it.

PROHIBITION CASES: The Prohibition Branch of the Greater Bombay Police detected 364 cases, arrested 176 persons and seized 277 gallons of illicit liquor, 7,901 gallons of wash, 78 gallons of foreign liquor and seven gallons of spirit, during the week ended February 9 last.

PARTY TO COUNT CAMERANA

In the photograph of the party given by the Italian Consul on Thursday (which appeared in the "Bombay Chronicle" of February 17) the caption should have read: "Picture taken at the reception given to Count Camerana, Vice-President of the Fiat Corporation of Italy by the Consul for Italy in Bombay. We had mistakenly stated that it was a farewell party to the Italian Consul-General We regret the error.

APPROVER'S STORY OF TATA MILL HOLD-UP

How Coolies Were Terrified By Armed Men

BOMBAY, Friday.

INCIDENTS which lead up to the commission of the Bruce Street Dacoity in which a sum of Rs. 3,49,365 belonging to the Tata Mills was seized in an armed hold-up of the Tata truck on January 10, 1949, were narrated today before Mr. R. S. Parikh, Presidency Magistrate, Esplanade Court, by Cawasjee E. Irani, who agreed to turn a state witness after he had been granted a pardon by the Magistrate yesterday.

The approver had earlier stated that about two and a half years ago he had struck up an acquaintance with the four accused Shermohamed Sher Dil, described as the leader of the gang, Lawrence Pinto, Rustom Dhanjishaw and Shamsher Rehman Nizamuddin. Four others who are alleged to have been involved in the dacoity Meher Gul, Pahlwan, Dhur and Ahmed Jan are at large and are on the wanted list of the Police.

Cawasji stated that the accused had been told by one Kersee Patel that on the tenth of each month a large sum of money was carried from Bombay House to Dadar for disbursement among workers. It was accordingly planned to hold up the truck conveying the money, and on January 10, Cawasji was asked to wait for the accused near the Churchgate Station. The approver was standing with his bicycle near the appointed rendezvous at about 6-30 on the morning of the incident when the car bearing Shermohamed, Rustom, Pinto, Shamsher and three Pathans drew up near him. Shamsher asked Cawasji to follow the car, a big sedan belonging to a judge and which the judge's chauffeur had 'loaned' to the accused for the commission of the dacoity. Cawasji was told to wait near the West End Watch Company and to give the accused the planned signal at the right moment.

POSITION TAKEN

Cawasji took up his position near Bruce Street and subsequently moved directly opposite the entrance of Bombay House. He had seen the sedan parked near the High Court. A truck was parked parallel to the kerb opposite Bombay House, and three or four coolies came out of the building carrying steel cash boxes. Two of the coolies were loading the trunks in the truck and a third was standing at the rear door of the truck with a trunk on his shoulder. When the sedan drew up opposite Ceylon House, the accused were under the impression that Cawasji had signalled to them, as it was arranged that Cawasji should either raise his hand or walk over to the opposite footpath when the cash boxes were being loaded on to the Tata truck.

Rustom, Pinto, Shamshere and a Pathan rushed out of the sedan with revolvers in their hands and shouted to the coolies to stop loading the truck. The coolies were terrified and the Pathan watchman of Bombay House fled into the building. When, a few minutes later, Cawasji came forward and stood behind the sedan to give his colleagues a hand in opening the door of the car which had jammed, he saw two of the cash boxes lying on the floor of the sedan The third trunk was lying on the road, where it had burst open. A khakhis bag had fallen out of it. The trunk was loaded into the sedan by Pinto and Rustom.

At that moment, Cawasji continued, a fourth coolie came out of Bombay House with another cash box. Rustom rushed towards him and pulled the trunk out of his grasp. Cawasji retrieved his bike from where he had placed it and rode off making straight for his residence at Tardeo. He heard the sedan start as he was leaving the scene of the crime.

HIS SHARE

Late that evening, at about 10 o'clock, Shamsher and Shermonamed called at Cawasji's place. They said that they had come to give him his share of the loot, and handed him a bundle of currency notes, amounting to Rs. 30,000, wrapped in a pink towel. They asked to be put up for the night as they were afraid the police were on their tracks. They left the place early next morning. Cawasji explained away his possession of the amount to his wife by saying that it was his winnings on the race course. The money he later deposited in a leather suitcase which he had borrowed from his aunt.

At this stage of the hearing the Court rose. The case has been adjourned to Monday next.

NATH BANK SUSPENDS PAYMENT

BOMBAY, Friday.

The Bombay branch of the Nath Bank Ltd., situated at Amar Building Pherozesnan Mehta Road, suspended payments from this morning. The management has put up a notice on the closed door of the bank that they have applied for moratorium. The head office of the bank is at Calcutta.

A large number of people, depositors and constituents of the bank, had flocked at the entrance and were studying this dismal notice with long faces.

An official of the Reserve Bank of India stated that they received information about the suspension of payments by the bank only at 11 a.m. today from their Calcutta office.

Branch Office Granted Moratorium

CALCUTTA: On an application made by the Nath Bank, Calcutta the Calcutta High Court today granted the bank a moratorium for one month.

The Bank has suspended its business at the head office and all branch offices in Calcutta and elsewhere as from today.

FALL IN NIGHT TEMPERATURES

All-India Weather

POONA, Feb. 17, (PTI).

The following is the daily weather summary for Friday.

Weather has been dry over the country.

Night temperatures were markedly below normal in Saurashtra and Cutch, Gujerat and West Rajasthan

FORECAST VALID UNTIL SATURDAY EVENING: Weather will continue to be dry except for isolated showers in sub-Himalayan West Bengal, Assam and the extreme south of the Peninsula.

Night tempratures will rise in the Central Provinces.

POONA, Feb. 17, (PTI).

Following is the weather chart showing the maximum and minimum temperatures and rainfall in inches during the past 24 hours, with total rainfall from December 1, 1949 and departure from normal recorded at 8 a.m. on Friday

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RESIGNS: Mr. J. K. Praneshacharya, General Secretary, Hyderabad State Congress, has tendered resignation of his office and that of membership of its Working Committee.

LANDLORDS' APPEAL ADMITTED

Demand For Increased Rent Under New Act

BOMBAY, Friday.

Mr. Sitapchand Amichand and another, as landlords, filed a suit in the Presidency Small Cause Court, at Bombay, in October 1948 to have the point of law decided viz. whether the person as Landlord is entitled to charge a little more rent as a result of starting charging rent according to the British Calendar in place of Hindu Calendar, as a result of compulsory conversion from the Hindu Calendar.

The Trial Court learned Judge Mr. Motwane who delivered judgment on December 27 1949, held against the Landlords, "inter alia" holding that Section 5(10), of the New Rent Act has fixed the standard rent with reference to the British Calendar and not any other Calendar.

From this order, the plaintiffs went in apeal to the Appellate Bench of the Court of Small Causes contending that the Trial Court's interpretation of the provisions of the Statute was not correct and that appellant landlords were entitled to a small increase, as a result of calender conversion.

The Bench admitted the appeal on February 14, 1950.

HOMAGE TO FORMER MAYOR

Municipal Body Adjourns

BOMBAY, Friday.

The Municipal Standing Committee today adjourned without transacting any business as a mark of respect to the memory of late Dr. M. C. Javle, a former Mayor and member of the Corporation for 29 years.

Mr. Salebhai Abdul Kader, Chairman, and several other speakers paid tributes to the very valuable services done by Dr. Javle for the enrichment of the civic life of Bombay in various capacities as Mayor, Chairman of the Standing Committee and Schools Committee etc. Mr. Kader said that he was instrumental in the development of the north of the city.

875 New Tenements To Be Constructed Soon

BOMBAY, Friday.

The Bombay Municipality has proposed to construct 875 tenements to house the people now living in insanitary huts in the Mang-Garudi Camp near the Matunga Labour Camp, Bombay. The estimated cost of constructing the tenements is Rs. 13,37,061.

The work on some of the tenements is proposed to be taken in hand immediately, while that on the remaining ones after the monsoon to be completed during the next financial year

The Municipal Commissioner has sought the sanction of the Standing Committee for the provision of the amount in the budget estimates of 1950-51.

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Awakening In Tribes Of Togoland

U.N. COMMISSION'S REPORT

GENEVA, Feb. 17, (PTI-Reuter): If the demands of the one million people in the Ewe tribe of Togoland for unification are not satisfied, the danger of a growing nationalism will have to be faced.

According to a United Nations Commission which has been out there.

The tribe is divided by British and French Togoland and the Gold Coast.

The Commission in a unanimous report said that the Ewe problem "has attained the force and dimensions of a nationalistic movement and that a solution should be sought with urgency in the interest of peace and stability in that part of the world."

They recommended a general solution to be sought within a wider political and economic framework including the two Togolands.

VOTES FOR PRIMARY MEMBERS

Prakasam's View

VIJAYAWADA, Feb. 17 (PTI): Mr. T. Prakasam, former Premier of Madras, suggested today that Congress primary members should be treated as voters for all Panchayat and Congress Committee elections including election of delegates.

Mr. Prakasam said in a statement that primary members should elect among themselves panchayatdars who should be habitual wearers of khadi and tee-totallers. They should not observe or recognise untouchability in any shape or form and should believe in inter-communal unity.

STAND TOGETHER FOR PROGRESS

Abdullah's Advice To Hyderabad Congressmen

SECUNDERABAD, Feb. 17, (UPI): The future of Hyderabad State and other allied issues would have to be decided by the people and people alone, declared the Kashmir Premier, Sheikh Abdullah, addressing the Hyderabad State Congress leaders, who met him at the Lake View guest house this morning.

No legal or constitutional barriers could stand in the way of the people's will which must prevail, he is reported to have emphasised.

If the people had been courageous enough and risen equal to the occasion they would have had their will prevailing in all matters long ago.

The Kashmir leader, who spoke to them freely and frankly deplored the existence of differences in the rank and file of the State Congress, and exhorted them to stand united in the larger interests of the people to whose service they were pledged to.

Drawing a parallel from Kashmir, he said that there the will of the people had triumphed over the aggressor.

U.S.T.C. Chief Minister Refutes Charges

TRIVANDRUM, Feb. 16 (PTI): Mr. T. K. Narayan Pillai, Chief Minister of Travancore-Cochin Union refuted here the charges recently made by Mr. Pattom Thanu Pillai, a former President of the Travancore State Congress, that the recent appointments of Mr. C. V. Kunjiraman as Chief Justice and Mr. K. A. Gangadhara Menon as a judge of the Travancore-Cochin High Court" were in violation of the laws and the constitution".

ARGENTINA'S LONE BATTLE .

OVERRULING SECURITY COUNCIL VETO

THE HAGUE, Feb. 16 (PTI-Reuter): Argentina seemed to be fighting a lone battle when the International Court of Justice began hearings today on whether the United Nations General Assembly could overrule Security Council vetoes on admitting new members. Of the eight nations submitting written statements only Argentina—which sponsored the move in the General Assembly to bring the case to the International Court for arbitration—maintained that the Assembly had the final say in admitting new members.

Russia, The Ukraine, Byelo-Russia and Czechoslovakia denied the courts competence to rule on the matter.

France—whose delegate made the only oral statement at today's hearing—deplored the persistent use of the veto in the Security Council but said "it is in the Charter and must be accepted"

The United States, Venezuela and Egypt support the French view.

France's spokesman M. Georges Scelle said "nothing is more difficult than to try and combat the veto."

His Government regarded the Security Council's recommendation indispensable before the General Assembly could elect a new member.

The court dealing with the problem of United Nations membership for a second time in three years announced that it would give its advisory opinion in due course.

In May 1948 it ruled that a United Nations member was not entitled to consent to the admission of new members on grounds not expressly laid down by the Charter.

Among the many visitors at today's hearing was Dr. M. S. Mehta, Indian Ambassador.

NAMES OF THE APPLICANTS

The applications of 13 nations for membership of the United Nations are outstanding.

They are Ceylon, Nepal, Albania, the Mongolian Peoples Republic, Bulgaria, Rumania, Hungary, Finland, Italy, Portugal, Ireland, Jordan, and Austria.

Russia has opposed the admittance of Austria, Ceylon, Finland, Ireland, Italy, Jordan, the Republic of (South) Korea, Portugal and Nepal.

The applications for Bulgaria, Rumania and Hungary were opposed by Canada—Britain, the Argentina, China Cuba, France, Norway and the United States.

The other nations nominated by the Soviet Union Albania and the Mongolian Peoples Republic also failed to get support.

12 Trouble Makers In Gauhati Arrested

GAUHATI, Feb. 16 (PTI): Twelve persons have been arrested so far in and around Tihu about 60 miles from Gauhati in connection with the arson and looting incidents there on February 13.

The police are stated to be making a series of raids on suspected places in the locality.

The Inspector-General of Police, Assam, and the Seperintendent of Police, Kamrup, visited Tihu today for personal investigations and to see that all effective measures are taken for the quick apprehension of the culprits.

FRANCE TO ACCEPT U. S. ARMS AID

Strong Measures To Be Taken Against Reds

PARIS, Feb. 17. (PTI-Reuter). A special "anti-sabotage" meeting of the French Cabinet ended early today deciding on measures to co-ordinate security services in the face of Communist agitation against the Atlantic Pact and the war in Indo-China.

Other emergency measures, not yet disclosed were decided at an all—day meeting at the Ministry of the Interior.

Ministry of Interior sources said last night that French troops were in readiness to replace dockers if they refuse to handle war material or unload arms shipped to France from America.

A Shilling On India

LONDON, Feb. 17 (PTI-Reuter): Sir George Steven Harvie Watt, Scottish Conscrvative ex-member of Parliament and present candidate for Richmond, Surrey, last night bet a heckler a shilling that India was no longer in the British Empire.

The candidate said that if he was wrong he would pay the bet on the word of India House, the Dominion's London headquarters, after the general election on February 23. Thus his stake would not be charged as election expenses.

DEFEAT FOR U.S. IN FAR EAST

Former Military Chief On Sino-Russian Treaty

NEW YORK, Feb 17 (PTI-Reuter): The thirty-year treaty between Communist China and the Soviet Union is regarded throughout the Far East as a defeat for the United States, said Maj.-General William J Donovan in a speech here.

General Donovan was wartime head of America's Office of Strategic Services.

"There may be disagreement whether this breach of the former balance of power in Asia has already gone so far that it threatens our security he added.

"But there can be no difference of opinion that the balance of power on which formal peace depends, will be hopelessly upset if the Russians carry out projected extension of the Chinese conquests to Indo-China, Hong Kong, the Philippines, Siam, Malaya, Indonesia and Burma."

The situation in Asia called for a leader whether he was called supreme commander or high commissioner with the authority, the experience and the ability to deal with political as well as military problems, General Donovan added.

STRENGTHENING OF SOVIET FORCES

Communist Party's Election Pledge

LONDON, Feb. 17 (PTI-Reuter): Moscow Radio today broadcast an election manifesto, issued by the Soviet Communist party for the Soviet general election on March 12, declaring that the Communist party "sets itself the task of steadily strengthening the armed forces of the U.S.S.R."

It recalled Generalissimo Stalin's warning that "as long as there is a capitalist world there will exist a danger of capitalist attack on the Soviet Union."

"The armed forces of the Soviet Union are a threat to all aggressors and pretenders to world domination," the manifesto declared.

The manifesto claimed that Soviet scientists had "mastered the secret of obtaining atomic energy," and promised the electorate improved housing, education as well as further cuts in the prices of consumer goods, a higher standard of living and a new cultural upsurge.

WORLD BANK INTEREST CHARGES HIGH

Hampers Development, Says Mudaliar

LAKE SUCCESS, Feb. 16 (PTI-Reuter): India today accused the International Bank of failing in its primary function of financing bold schemes of post-war economic development

Mr A. Ramaswami Mudaliar the Indian delegate speaking during the United Nations Economic and Social Council's debate on the Bank's record during 1949 said: "The conditions which the Bank states must be satisfied before a loan is granted is what a private investor would say when asked to put money into under-developed countries'.

"Even a private investor seems to be willing to take more risk than the International Bank at this time he declared.

Mr Mudaliar said the Bank's function was meant to be something more than that of a private investor

LIBERALISATION NEEDED

"A new approach may have to be made as to how conditions can be liberalised so as to bring assistance to the under developed countries.

This requires a greater liberalisation of policy—a greater consideration of the requirements of under—developed countries

The Indian Delegate pointed out that investment possibilities had changed since the first world war.

"American private investors are not as anxious to invest as they were after world war one.

Many European countries, which invested after the First World War no longer have the facilities to do so.

"The International Bank should take risks where private investors would not' Mr. Mudaliar declared.

He criticised the Bank's policy of granting loans only for immediately "productive' projects

This policy Mr Mudaliar said "might make me happy if I were a stockholder but my heart refused to go with it"

He said India had many schemes which could technically be termed non-productive out which would ultimately bring greater returns than the original investments.

India's non-productive programme of "protective projects" initiated during famines could not be considered as a money investment.

Mr. Mudaliar asked "how do you expect that work can be productive when you charge four and a half per cent interest"

The Indian delegate recalled that India had secured two loans from the Bank both of which were above the interest rates charged by the Indian Government.

"What is the good of putting forward projects if four and a half per cent interest must be paid?"

Mr. Mudaliar's criticisms were supported by delegates from Brazil, Peru and Chide who asked that the Bank should lower its interest rates and bring itself more into association with the aims of the United Nations.

FUTURE OF INDIAN MEDICINE

Deputation Waits On Health Minister

NEW DELHI, Feb. 17 (UPI): A deputation of representatives of several associations of Indian medicine from all over India, led by Captain G. Srinivasamurthi waited today on Rajkumari Amrit Kaur, Minister for Health. Government of India and presented a written memorandum on the proposed "five point" programme of the Government of India for implementing the recommendations of the Chopra Committee.

The deputation stressed the necessity of appointing a special officer in sympathy with Indian medicine.

The Minister expressed her deep sympathy for the promotion of Indian medicine and said that the details of the whole situation would be reviewed by the Pandit Committee, recently appointed to go into these questions.

RAIL LINK WITH TRIPURA

Project To Be Completed Soon

CALCUTTA, Feb 17 (UPI): Tripura State, which is surrounded by Pakistan territory and now stands isolated from the rest of India, will be linked with Indian territory through a railway shortly, learns the United Press.

The Government of India, it is understood, have decided to construct a railway line from Patharkandi, a station on the Assam Railway in Karimganj sub-division, to Dharmanagar, divisional headquarters of the Tripura State. The distance between the two terminuses is approximately 16 miles and the cost of the construction will be a few lakhs

The Assam Railway which has been asked by the Railway Board to carry out the survey work for the project, has, it is learnt, nearly completed the job. The scheme is proposed to be completed within this year.

Fresh Light On Mitra Dynasty

ALLAHABAD, Feb 17 (PTI-Reuter) A treasure-trove which may throw light on the chronology of the kings of the Mitra dynasty, has been discovered by members of the Kaushambi Expedition of the Allahabad University. The excavations, which are being carried out at Kaushambi ancient site on the Jamuna, are nearing completion.

Material contribution to the history of the Gangetic Valley before it was finally subjugated by the Kushans was expected to be made following unearthing of images where a sealing of Kanishka was discovered.

U.S.I. ENVOY TO BURMA

Soedarsono Appointed

NEW DELHI, Feb. 17 (UPI): Dr. Soedarsono, Ambassador and Envoy Extraordinary Plenipotentiary of the United States of Indonesia in India, has also been appointed Minister Extraordinary and Plenipotentiary of Indonesia in Burma

Dr Soedarsono left New Delhi today by air en route to Rangoon where he will present his credentials to the Burmese President.

After this formal ceremony, Dr Soedarsono is likely to proceed to Indonesia for consultations with his Government.

WEST'S COLONIAL WAR IN THE EAST

New Statesman's Comment On Indo-China Problem

LONDON Feb 16 (PTI-Reuter): The Leftwing weekly review 'New Statesman' commenting today on the Indo-China problem said that the "West has embarked on colonial war of reconquest in South-East Asia"

The paper said the American decision to recognise Bao Dai and to give military assistance to the French in Indo-China was purely military and strategic

"Washington's argument is that force was kept the Communists from the Mediterranean in Greece, and that similar methods may be successful in Indo-China

"When Britain also agreed to recognise Bao Dai, the Foreign Office seems to have made a desperate effort to please the French by telling the press that the 'Night—Club—Emperor' as he is called was really a popular figure behind whom a large part of Viet Nam would rally the weekly said

GWALIOR, Feb. 16 (PTI): The Gwalior Potteries owned and run by the Malwa Government, has been awarded the first prize in the All-India Exhibition held in Hyderabad (Deccan) recently

The Potteries has been producing wares and ceramic goods to suit domestic needs of the country

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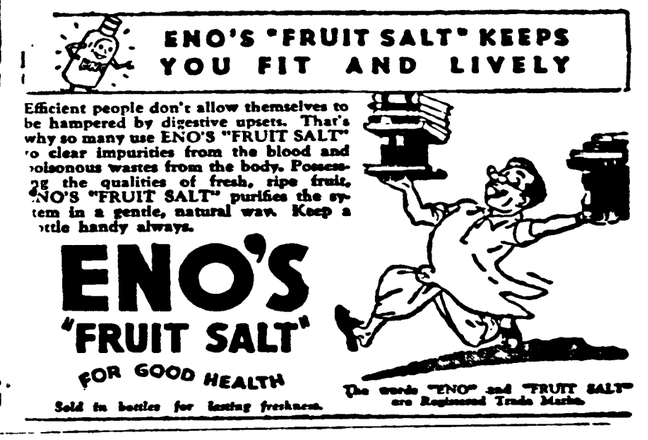
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BHOPAL BATTLES AGAINST KANS, THE TERRIBLE WEED

I. M. F. Experts Watch Tractor Operations

(FROM A CORRESPONDENT)

BHOPAL (By Mail).

CULTIVATORS of the Nerbudda Valley Division of Bhopal entered an era of great agricultural development when tractors were used for the first time by the Chief Commissioner at Bari 60 miles south-East of Bhopal.

Cultivators had gathered in large numbers at scene of the operation. Central and Provincial officials, along with Dr. Lund and Dr. Klephart, two distinguished representatives of the International Monetary Bank, were also present.

Mr. Sethi, Chairman of the Central Tractor Organisation, paid tribute to the officials who had made possible the scheme and the International Bank officers one of whom is an expert in agriculture.

The machines were then set in motion. The gathering witnessed the ploughing operations initiated on a one-mile furrow. Kans, the terrible weed, was seen being uprooted in no time, the seed which had thrown generations of peasantry out of their occupation. There are six lakhs of acres of land in the Province which have to be tractor-ploughed. It will take from six to seven years to clear the whole area, and every available machine will be brought into use. The Government of India has, at present, sent thirty tractors and another thirty will come later.

It is hoped that before the next rainy season 25,000 acres will be ploughed.

Thus the whole of the Nerbudda Valley which is now kans-infested will all be opened up, and this tract alone will produce wheat and gram which will total the yield of many years.

HOLD THE SESSION AT BANGALORE

Mysore People's Appeal To Congress President

BANGALORE, Feb. 17, (PTI): The Mysore State Congress has invited the coming session of the' Congress to be held at Bangalore.

Mr. T. Siddhalingiah, President of the Mysore State Congress, in a telegram to the Congress President, Dr. Pattabhi Sitaramayya today said that the Mysore people "warmly welcome the Congress session at Bangalore".

Mr. Siddhalingiah requested the Conyress President to "secure confirmation by Congress Committee and intimate"

TRUMAN REJECTS CUT IN DEFENCES

Says U. S. Responsible For World Peace

WASHINGTON, Feb. 16, (PTI-R

PRESIDENT Truman in a speech tonight rejected proposals to cut down United States defence and foreign aid expenditures.

In a political speech as head of the Democratic Party, the President accused his political opponents of wishing to see the United States "turn our backs upon the rest of the world and drop our efforts to strengthen our domestic economy".

The President said "those who supported this view ere spreading the mistaken idea that we can save money by going backward.

They advocate slashing our expenditure for peace and for our domestic programme.

They fail to see that in the long run false economy would endanger not only their pocket books but their lives and the continuation of civilisation itself".

The President spoke at the Democratic Party's 100 dollars a plate Jefferson-Jackson day dinner.

The money is to aid party funds.

The President said he was in favour of economy but added: "I do not propose to weaken the strength and the security of this country.

U. S. RESPONSIBILITIES

I do not propose to place the peace of the world in jeopardy to satisfy the advocates of false economy".

The President said "we are living in a troubled period of the world's history. Our responsibilities as a nation have never been so great".

The President rejected charges by the Republican Party that the programme being carried out by his administration and that of President Roosevelt constituted "socialism".

He described that as a "moth eaten scarecrow" and an insult to the intelligence of the American people.

SERVICE MEDICAL WELFARE

Women's Scheme For Delhi

NEW DELHI, Feb. 16, (PTI): A medical welfare scheme, which will put every service unit in the Delhi area within reach of a clinic, has been prepared by the Armed Forces Welfare Women's Organisation and will soon be put into operation. The scheme is expected to cost Rs. 15,000.

The Armed Forces Welfare Women's Organisation, which was started about two years ago as the Indian Forces Welfare Ladies Committee, has been doing useful work providing amenities to troops, medical help to them and their families and general looking after their welfare. It has 32 affiliated committees working at various centres in the country.

Lady Parry, wife of Vice-Admiral Parry, C.-in-C., who is the President of the Organisation, in her annual report said that news from all centres showed "great initiative and resourcefulness" on the part of the committees in their varied activities.

REPRESENTATIVE BODY FOR SUGAR WORKERS

Polling To Decide Issue In U. P.

LUCKNOW, Feb. 16, (PTI): A census in sugar factories of the Uttar Pradesh to select the most representative workers organisation in the industry will be taken between March 3 and March 15.

A press note issued today by the U. P. Government said that the places of polling should be determined by the Labour Commissioner, who would conduct the census, in such a way that the normal working of the sugar factories was not affected thereby.

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WORRELL & ALLEY HALT COMPLETE COLLAPSE

Commonwealth Team 290 For 8 In Fifth "Test"

MADRAS, Feb. 17.

THE COMMONWEALTH cricket Team had made 290 runs for the loss of eight wickets at the close of play on the first day of the fifth and final "Test" match against an India Eleven at Chepauk here today.

Frank Worrell, off whose bat more than half the Commonwealth runs flowed, was the chief architect of the visitors' respectable total which might have been smaller had Polly Umrigar held the West Indian at fineleg when he was only twenty-eight.

The following are the teams:—

COMMONWEALTH: Livingston (Captain), Fred Freer, Frank Worrell, Jack Holt, Harry Lambert, George Tribe, Bill Alley, Ray Smith, Norman Oldfield, George Dawkes and D. Fitzmaurice. Twelfth man: Wally Langdon.

INDIA: Vijay Hazare (Captain), C. S. Nayudu, S. Mushtaq Ali, Vinoo Mankad, R. S. Modi, D. G. Phadkar, H. R. Adhikari, Umrigar, G Kishenchand, N. Chowdhury, P. G. Joshi. Twelfth man: Gaekwad.

"Jock" Livingston won the toss and elected to bat first, when the fifth and final unofficial "test" between the Commonwealth cricket team and India commenced at Chepauk's perfect wicket here today.

Play began sensationally for Phadkar, who opened the attack from the road end had the Commonwealth skipper caught behind stumps in his first over.

EARLY SUCCESS

Norman Oldfield and Livingston opened the Commonwealth innings. The former obtained a single off the third ball but Livingston snicked the very first ball he received, Joshi taking a good catch.

Inspired by this early success the Indian fielders were on their toes, when J. K. Holt joined Oldfield. Vijay Hazare was the other bowler, from the pavilion end.

Oldfield squarecut Phadkar for three and in the same over Holt hooked him for the first four of the match. Glancing Hazare for two Oldfield sent up 10 of the innings in 20 minutes. Then with the first ball of his fourth over Phadkar completely beat Holt but the West Indian pulled the next for four and cover drove the third for three. Oldfield obtained a single and Holt drove a no-ball for four sending up 20 of the innings in 26 minutes, Phadkar conceding 12 runs in this over.

At 23 Russi Modi relieved his Skipper at the pavilion end and the Bombay all-rounder obtained Oldfield's wicket off his very first ball when the batsman mistimed a drive and gave Adhikari at cover an easy catch. Frank Worrell joint Holt.

Modi however conceded seven runs in the over.. N. Chowdhury relieved Phadkar at 30. Worrell latecut Chowdhury for four.

At 45 C. S. Nayudu took over from Modi after the latter had taken one wicket in two overs for 10 runs.

ANOTHER WICKET

A bye sent up 50 of the innings in 52 minutes. At 53 Phadkar came on for a second spell from the road end in place of Chowdhury. The first hour's play had produced 56 runs. Phadkar, who was mixing an occasional short-pitched ball with his usual length obtained a wicket in the new spell when Holt hooked a rising one into Umrigar's hands at fine leg. In his one hour's stay at the wicket Holt hit three fours.

Left-hander Bill Alley joined Worrell.

When he was 28 Worrell hooked a rising ball from Phadkar but Umrigar dropped the catch at fineleg. Alley drove Phadkar's next ball through the covers for four.

At 80 Chowdhry relieved Phadker at the road end and conceded six runs, all scored by Alley in twos. Worrell drove Nayudu through the covers for four and Alley glanced Chowdhury to the boundary.

Worrell drove a full toss from Nayudu for four to send up 100 of the innings in as many minutes and the West Indian latecut the next ball to the boundary.

Vinoo Mankad came on for the first time relieving Nayudu at the pavilion end 14 minutes before lunch and Worrell with a glance for two off his fifth ball made the fourth wicket partnership worth 50 in 40 minutes.

125 FOR 3 AT LUNCH

With a single off Mankad's next over, Worrell sent up his individual 50 in 83 minutes including five fours. At lunch the Commonwealth team had made 125 for the loss of three wickets Worrell batting 51, Alley batting 34.

Both the teams were presented to Mr. C. Rajagopalachari, and the Maharaja of Bhavnagar, Governor of Madras, before the play was resumed after lunch.

C. S. Nayudu opened the attack from the pavilion end to Bill Alley after the resumption and the batsmen took nine runs including a straight drive for four by Worrell. Alley cut Phadker coming on from the other end over the gulleys head for four while Worrell pulled Nayudu to the boundary, the batsmen taking twenty-three runs in three overs bowled after lunch. Glancing Phadker for two Alley sent up 150 of the innings in 135 minutes.

Alley, however, paid the penalty of taking runs where none existed and was run out when Umrigar from third man threw the ball into Joshi's hands to easily run out the lefthander who was trying to take a second run for his squarecut off Phadkar (151-4-48). **During his seventy minutes' stay Alley hit three fours and the fourth wicket added eightynine runs in one hour and ten minutes.**

Fred Freer joined Worrell who pulled Nayudu for four.

At 159 Vinoo Mankad relieved Nayudu at the pavilion end and two runs inter Chowdhury took over from Phadker and the rate of scoring slowed down, the batsmen scoring only with well-placed singles.

Mankad, who was maintaining an excellent length lured Freer out of the crease and had him smartly stumped by Joshi (170-5-5). Ray Smith joined Worrell

Smith glanced the second ball he received for four but when facing Chowdhury he had a narrow escape in trying the same stroke, the ball going two yards wide of Nayudu's outstretched left hand at leg slip.

In Chowdhury's next over, Worrell had a similar escape but with his next delivery, Chowdhury completely beat and bowled Smith. (179-6-7). George Tribe joined Worrell who latecut Mankad for four. Tribe also hooked Chowdhury to the ropes.

Driving Chowdhury for a single Tribe sent up the 200 of the innings, scored in as many minutes.

Swinging the ball considerably Chowdhury had even Worrell worried. The West Indian however cover drove Mankad to the boundary.

At 208, Phadkar took the new ball and the batsmen obtained a single each. Hazare himself went on at the other end and clean bowled Tribe with his second ball (210-7-11). Harry Lambert joined Worrell who then was 99, and took a single off the first ball.

Frank Worrell.

WORRELL REACHES HUNDRED

With a single off Hazare, Worrell reached his brilliant, side-saving century which included ten fours in a shade over three hours.

With the fourth ball of his second new ball over Phadker sent Lambert's bails flying (213-8-1). D. Fitzmaurice joined Worrell. Hazare beat Fitzmaurice and the stumps while Phadker bowled a maiden to Worrell. In the next over Fitzmaurice squarecut Phadkar to the boundary.

At tea the Commonwealth Team had 225 for the loss of eight wickets. Worrell batting 106 and Fitzmaurice batting 7.

Hazare and Phadker continued to be in charge of the attack after tea. The batsmen took five runs off Hazare but when facing Phadker, Fitzmaurice was completely beaten but the ball just missed the stumps.

At 280 Phadker relieved Chowdhury and Worrell drove him through the covers for three. At 285 Chowdhury came on from the pavilion end and Worrell straight drove his first ball to the boundary, the bowler making a gallant attempt to holding a catch.

At close of play the Commonwealth team had made 290 for the loss of eight wickkets, Worrell batting 149 and Fitzmaurice batting 25.

SCOREBOARD

COMMONWEALTH (First Innings)

Jack Livingstone c Joshi b Phadkar	0
N. Oldfield c Adhikari b Modi	8
Holt c Umrigar b Phadkar	29
M.B. Alley runt out	48
F. Freer st. Joshi b Mankad	5
Smith b Chowdhury	7
G. Tribe lbw. Hazare	11
H. Lambert b Phadker	1
F. Worrell batting	149
Fitzmaurice batting	25
Extras	7
Total (for 8 wkts).	290

WICKETS FELL: 1|1, 2|23, 3|62, 4|151, 5|170, 6|179, 7|210, 8|213.

BOWLING ANALYSIS

	O.	M.	R.	W.
D G. Phadker	19	2	69	3
V. Hazare	9	2	13	1
Rusi Modi	2	0	8	1
N. Chowdhury	22	1	80	1
C. S. Nayudu	13	0	76	0
Vinoo Mankad	15	3	37	1

B. E. S. T.,s EASY VICTORY

Jepsen Cup Hockey

BOMBAY, Friday.

B.E.S.T., a first division side experienced little difficulty in accounting for Dolphin S.C., a third division team by three goals to nil in the Jepsen Cup Tournament this evening at the Cooperage.

Earlier in the evening Indian Naval Civilians S.C. scored a very narrow win over Panchgani Parsi High School Old Boys by a solitary goal.

B.E.S.T. completely dominated the exchanges in their match from the start of the game and their opponent were hard pressed to keep their rivals out of their goal. Though Dorphin S.C. side tried their best to stem the opposition, they had to concede three goals in quick succession. After the interval though the Tramwaymen pinned their opponents for long spells to their own territory, they were unable to add their score due to the stubborn opposition.

Five minutes after the start of the game Kuttappa the B.E.S.T. inside-left opened their account when a hard shot by him went off a defenders into the goal. Five minutes later Bhimrao added the second goal. B.E.S.T. secured the third goal when they were awarded a penalty bully. The Dolphin goalkeeper P. Vaz sat on the ball when Kuttappa pushed the ball into the goal and he fell on it. Bhimrao who was entrusted with the bully got the better of his opponent to net the third goal.

The teams were as follows:

B.E.S.T. S.C.: A Azavedo; K. M. Bidapa and L. Pinto; S. Adalghe, J. Gonsalves, and T. Amon; R. Faria, K. Belliappa, D. Bhimrao, K. Kuttapa and B. Alphonso.

DOLPHIN S.C.: P. Vaz; J. D'Souza and D. Gomes; J. Fernandes, J. Rodricks and A. D'Souza; D. D'Cruz, L. D'Cunha, M. Rodricks, C. Fernandes and A. Fernandes.

In the earlier match Indian Naval Civilians prevailed over Panchgani Parsi High School Old Boys by a solitary goal scored in extra time by B. Gonsalves who trapped a high scoop into the circle and beat the onrushing goalkeeper to score the all important goal.

FIGUEREDO CUP HOCKEY

BOMBAY, Friday.

Two more matches were decided in the first round of the Figueredo Cup Hockey Tournament confined to junior teams at the St. Xavier's College Ground Parel this evening.

In the first match knob City Sports Club beat Young Sports 'B' by the only goal of the match scored in the last minute of play by S. Noronha.

Young Sports 'B' were distinctly unfortunate to lose for they were far superior to rivals and enjoyed a major share of the exchanges. The goal which sealed the fate of Young Sports 'B' was a gift from Umpire Gonsalves for he failed to penalise a clear case of kicks by Noronha who while he was on his way to the Young Sports goal kicked the ball ahead and with the umpire concerned failing to penalise him he carried on and scored the only goal.

In the later game St. Xavier's 'C' gained a narrow victory over Mahim Young Boys by a solitary goal in their replayed engagement. S. D'Cunha netted the Collegians goal with a rasping drive which went off the goalie's chest into the net.

Aussies Declare At 355 For 9

KIMBERLEY, Feb. 17 (PTI-Reuter): The Australians today scored 355 for 9 declared on the opening day of their match against Griqualand West here and by close of play had taken two of their opponents wickets for 26.

In the Day's Sport

HOCKEY

Cooperage

3-40 p.m. G. B. Police 'A' vs. Juvenile S.C. (Jepsen Cup).

4-40 p.m. Grey's 'C' vs. St. Agnes High School (Killedar Cup).

5-40 p.m. Lusitanians S.C. vs. Grey's 'B' (Killedar Cup).

TENNIS

Cricket Club of India:

3-15 p.m. Open Tennis Tournament.

GLAMOUR GIRL IN ACTION

Miss "Gussie" Moran, known all the world over as the glamour girl of the lawn tennis game, who in addition to the extremely likeable personality possesses a very powerful service and equally powerful strokes, is seen in action.

MISUSE OF "OLYMPIC" SYMBOLS AND MOTTOS

International Body Pulls Up Indian Organisation

NEW DELHI, Feb. 17 (PTI).

The world "Olympic" and olympic symbols and mottos cannot be used by any organisation other than the International Olympic Games.

The International Olympic Committee in a communication to the Indian member of the Committee Mr. G. D. Sondhi, has asked him to see that sports organisations desist from using for their games Olympic Rings and motto connected with the International Body.

INDIAN POLO TEAM WINS SCRAPPY ENCOUNTER

JAIPUR, Feb. 17.

The Indian Polo Association team won by 8 goals to 4 in the second match today against the Argentine Team.

The visitors scored three of their four goals from penalty hits. The home team got two of their goals from penalty. Though interesting the game was scrappy and not so fast and open as expected. The scores do not give fair indication of the run of the play except the last chukker when the Argentine team scored twice. Indian Polo Association team had the initiative throughout the game.

Maharaja of Jaipur and the Maharaja Col. Prithi Singh were able to play for the Indian Polo Association today. Col. Prithi Singh played in spite of a hand injury.

Ario Inchauspe could not play for the Argentine team today also because of an injury he had received some days ago.

This made the score of the series one all.

There will be another match here on February 19, some interesting polo is expected before the series are finally decided in the middle of next month in Delhi.

Individual scores:

INDIAN TEAM: Capt. Bijay Singh 3, Col. Prithi Singh 2, Rao Raja Hanut Singh 2, Maharaja of Jaipur 1.

ARGENTINE TEAM: Maharaj Col. Prem Singh (who played for the Argentine team today) 3, Nicholas Ruiz Guinazu 1.

Teams:

INDIAN TEAM: Maharaja of Jaipur (Cap), Rao Raja Hanut Singh, Col. Prithi Singh and Capt. Bijay Singh.

ARGENTINE TEAM. Jose M. Torrez Zavaleta (Capt.), Nicholas Ruiz Guinazu, Carlos Torrez Zavaleta and Maharaj Col. Prem Singh

Sir Archibald Nye, British High Commissioner and Lady Nye, the Jam Saheb of Nawanagar, Nawab of Pataudi and the American Vice-Consul were among those who witnessed the match.

CEYLON'S TEAM CHOSEN

First Unofficial "Test" Against Commonwealth

COLOMBO, Feb. 17 (P.T.I.): The Ceylon Team against the Commonwealth Cricket Team will be captained by S. Coomaraswamy in the first unofficial "Test" to be played here from February 25 to 27.

The team will comprises: S. Coomaraswamy (Captain), R. B. Wijevsinghe, C. I. Gunasekera, Ben Navaratne, M. Sathasivam, Mahes Rodrigo, Lucian E. De Zoysa, M Makin Salh, F J. De Saram, Jack E L. Burton, Stanley Javasinghe and C Dharmalingam.

J. E. L. Burton, F. J. De Saram, S. Jayasinghe and C. Dharmalingam are debutants to test cricket.

BHOPAL PRINCESS TO PLAY IN ENGLAND

LONDON, Feb. 17 (PTI-Reuter).

Princess Abida Sultan, daughter of the Nawab of Bhopal, has been invited by the Women's Squash Rackets Association to compete for the overseas visitors in a match against a Combined Women's Services team at the Lansdowne Club here on Sunday.

Princess Abida arrived in London from India a few days ago. She has also been asked to play in the East of England Championships at Wanstead from March 3 to 7, but said today that she has not yet decided whether to accept

It is understood that if the Princess does accept her Squash invitations she will be the first Indian woman to play in competitive squash in this country.

EXCITEMENT WAS TOO HIGH FOR HIM

Tragic End Of Spectator

BANGALORE, Feb. 17.

Excitement while witnessing a hockey tournament is said to be the cause for the death of a spectator here today. This happened during the replay between G.I.P. Railway from Bombay and Hindustan Aircraft Factory for the Maharaja of Mysore Gold Cup Hockey Tournament which again ended in a draw.

The spectator, who was one among the packed stands collapsed a few minutes before the close of the first half and immediate medical aid did not help. The doctors who attended on him said he died of coronary thrombosis. The deceased, an Anglo-Indian, was aged 85.—PTI

Replay Also Ends In Draw

BANGALORE, Feb. 17 (PTI)—For the second time the semi-final match between GIP Railway (Bombay) and Hindustan Aircraft factory in the Maharaja of Mysore Gold Cup Hockey Tournament ended in a draw today inspite of extra time. Each side scored once.

The exchanges were even and produced a game full of thrills right from the beginning. Both the teams impressed well in all departments of the game.

CHENIER'S WORLD RECORD RATIFIED

LONDON, Feb 17 (PTI-Reuter).

The snooker break of 144 made by the North American champion George Chenier, of Canada, at Leicester Square Hall, London, a fortnight ago was ratified as a world record by the Billiards Association and Control Council today.

Chenier's break, made during a match against Walter Donaldson of Scotland, beat the previous record of 141 set up by Joe Davis in January 1949.

NARESH KUMAR IN DEVASTATING FORM BEATS CERNIK

Mrs. Todd Heading For Triple Crown

(By Our Tennis Correspondent)

BOMBAY, Friday.

RARELY has Naresh Kumar been seen in a better form than he showed this evening in the Cricket Club of India Open Tennis Tournament. As a fitting reward for his magnificent display a victory over the redoubtable ex-Czech Davis Cup star, Vladimir Cernik would go down in the memories of those who saw India's number four win all his penultimate rounds this evening, and become the only player to contest all the three finals.

Playing almost an inspired game, Naresh Kumar with beautiful overheads and uncannily accurate service that had the sting of the devil in it, went through his internationally-known rival in two straight sets. Being down love three in the first set, Naresh brought off some beautiful volleys and overhead strokes to level matters, and with a very lucky point at the net took the lead at four three. Following up his success in coming to the net and volleying, Naresh served with great determination, and won the first set at 6-4.

Every move by the Wimbledon star was foiled by young Naresh this evening, and on the run of play there was very little that our worthy visitor could do, but to withdraw accepting defeat. Forging ahead with a lead of four/nil in the second set, Naresh went for the ball and mercilessly "killed" all that came by him at the net.

Mention must be made of the disgustingly bad umpiring that was the subject of very severe criticism from spectators and players alike. To delegate a match of such importance to a gentleman who obviously had not umpired a tennis match for considerably very great stretch of time was most unworthy of the otherwise excellently managed tournament like that of the C.C.I.

To add to the various mistakes that happened in the process of counting the points, the umpire in question made most obviously silly blunders in declaring correct services as wrong and vice versa. Almost every time a fault service had to be called, it was done after the opponent had already made his stroke.

This victory of Naresh Kumar took him in the final of the event where he will meet Narendra Nath. The latter although he dropped one set to K. B. Madan, the conqueror of Vasant, won with comparatively very great ease. At all stages of the game, Narendra Nath had the upper hand.

Both Mrs. Patricia Todd and Miss "Gussie" Moran, as expected, won their semi-final rounds in ridiculously easy fashion. Miss Woodbridge one of India's seasoned campaigner was no match at all for Mrs. Todd. At times however, Miss Pramilla Khanna, India's number two gave Miss Moran an anxious moments or two, but that was all there was to it.

The second most interesting encounter of the evening once again had Naresh Kumar as the hero of the match. But in this he was equally if not more, assisted by his glamourous partner Miss "Gussie" Moran.

Mrs. Todd who partnered Jimmy Mehta, also moved into the second final of the tournament, when they accounted for Miss Merchant and Madhav Rao.

The mixed doubles encounter between Miss Moran and Naresh Kumar and Miss Woodbridge and Vasant, provided tennis of an extremely high standard, and in a race against time, the former just managed to win the third and final set.

The following were the results:

MEN'S SINGLES

SEMIFINALS: Naresh Kumar beat V. Cernik 6-4, 6-4, Narendra Nath beat K.B. Madan 6-1, 2-6, 6-1.

WOMEN'S SINGLES

SEMIFINALS: Mrs. Patricia Todd beat Miss Laura Woodbridge, 6-0, 6-1, Miss Gertrude Moran beat Mis Pramila Khanna 6-2, 6-4.

MEN'S DOUBLES

QUARTERFINALS: Naresh Kumar and K. B. Madan beat C.L. Savara and Kapinapathy 6-3 (retired) V. Cernik and Jimmy Mehta beat Rasik Kumar of Wankaner and Fatehsinhji of Kutch, 6-2, 6-3, G Vasant and Madhav Rao beat G. N. Powar and H. J. H. Talyarkhan 6-1 6-1.

MIXED DOUBLES

Miss Laxmi Merchant and Madhav Raq beat Mrs. Betty Stewart and M. Hanumanth Rao 6-4, 6-4.

SEMIFINALS: Mrs Patricia Todd and Jimmy Mehta beat Miss Laxmi Merchant and Madhav Rao, 6-4, 7-5, Miss Gertrude Moran and Naresh Kumar beat Miss Laura Woodbridge and G. Vasant, 6-3, 1-6, 6-1.

JUNIOR'S SINGLES

Ramnik G. Maneck beat Alfred B. Lobo 6-4, 6-1, Sam Bharucha beat Dec Chowla 6-4, 6-1, Mohan Prabhu beat Pramod Kumar 6-3, 7-9, 6-2, S.S. Sodhi beat Dhan Dev Singh 6-2, 6-4, Ramnik G. Maneck vs Wasani 6-1, 6-8 (unfinished).

FIXTURES FOR SATURDAY

Court No. 1 3-15 p.m. Narendra Nath and J. M. Kantawalla vs Naresh Kumar and K.B. Madan (Semifinals). 4-00 p.m. Mrs. Patricia Todd vs Miss Gertrude Moran (final), 4-45 p.m. V. Cernik and Jimmy Mehta vs G. Vasant and Madhav Rao (Semifinal) followed by Mrs. P. Todd and Miss J. Ingram vs Miss L. Woodbridge and Miss L. Merchant, followed by Miss G. Moran and Miss P. Khanna vs Mrs. D. I. Kania and Mrs. Bhavnani.

Court No. 3: 3-15 p.m. Sam Bharucha vs Mohan Prabhu.

Court No. 4: 3-15 p.m. Maneck G. Ramnik vs Sukhdev Singh Sondhi.

NARESH KUMAR.

AUSSIES TOURING SIDE OUT FOR 303

Auckland 22 For No Loss

AUCKLAND (New Zealand), Feb. 17 (P.T.I.-Reuter): The Australian Cricket Team touring New Zealand, scored 303 in their first innings against Auckland here today, and at the close of play the home side had replied with 22 for no wicket.

SMASHING TRACK WORK BY CRYSTAL

By Our Track Reporter

BOMBAY, Friday.

THE following are the track-trials noted at Mahalaxmi this morning:—

Race Track

FLYING ARROW (Chavan) moved freely and clocked three furlongs in 38 secs.

NATURE BOY (Purtu) had poor company of DRY DAY (RB) when covering three furlongs in 35 secs.

BILLET DUOX (Roberts) covered three furlongs in 35-3/5 secs.

ABBESS (Khade) went a three furlongs spurt in 36 secs.

GIPSY BILL (Purtu) was in hand and beat BENTEX (Md. Khan) when returning 36 secs. for a spin over three furlongs.

SHUBH LAXMI (Kasoekar) was only half length infront of MOONLIGHT & SHADOWS (Khade) when engaged in an excellent spurt over three furlongs. Timing 35 secs.

ROYAL CRUSADER (Rickaby) moved over a mile at a fair pace. He returned 1 min. 55-1/2 secs. Last four furlongs were covered in 54 secs.

YEARLING (Walker) traversed three furlongs in 35-1/2 secs

MASQUERADE (Rickaby) was sent over a gallop for the St. Leger. He returned 2 mins 14 secs. for ten furlongs

THE JUDGE (Medne) and TRIPLE ALLIANCE (Chavan) were about level when covering four furlongs in 50 secs.

CRYSTAL (Chavan) disposed of KINDERSON (Jones) and GOLDEN PAST (Rickaby) when engaged in a splendid three furlongs spurt. He returned 34 secs.

SUMMER LIGHTNING (Chavan) covered ten furlongs in 2 mins. 15-1/2 secs. MACK (Damodar) was picked at the four Last four were covered in 50-1/2 secs.

Outer Tan

GOLD STREET (Khade) strode infront of CHOCOLATE BABY (Rickaby) when sent over three furlongs. The latter was not stretched and returned 37 secs.

DIESEL (Chavan) was out for an airing and clocked last four furlongs in 53 secs.

RIVIERA (Rickaby) moved on the bit in the company of SAMURAI (Khade) over three furlongs Timing 37 secs

PAN SUPARI (RB) and MISS RUTTY (J. Khan) covered three furlongs in 36-1/2 secs.

SIR GALHAD (Din Md.) was speedier than BEAU SCARLET (Devaney) when covering four furlongs in 51 secs

SNEHPRABHA (Roberts) was out on slow work over three. She returned 37 secs.

PRAVINA (Z. K. Khan) did an impressive three furlongs in 35 secs.

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THE CONGRESS

In the midst of dismal prophesies and denunciations, the Congress Working Committee's decision to plan for revitalising the political organisation is announced. Before the annual session meets as scheduled in June, many things have to be done. And we hope that the party leadership will apply itself to this task in good time. The first thing needed is a good President from the front-rank of the party leadership. The neglect of this requisite for the past three years has been very unfortunate and today the Congress Presidentship is at about its lowest level. Most Congressmen realise that a change is very necessary but most Congressmen also seem to feel that there is no personality standing out as specially fitted for the office. In fact, Congressmen as a whole do not know what to do with the Presidentship, an office that has to be filled and at the same time one which has lost its attraction to top-rank Congressmen. The Congress, after it took up the reins of Government, has not paid much attention to party organisation. The men who seek office in the party organisation, usually have been dropped out of the government. This development has led many critics of the Congress to believe that the Congress ought to wind up since the purpose for which it was working has been achieved. It is obvious that the Congress today is not able to keep together all the elements that it used to attract. Every Indian political group, in the days of struggle, realised that the best approach to the Indian public was through the Congress, the premier national organisation. It was also easy to get round the requirements, insisted on for membership in the party, because in the general enthusiasm for the freedom struggle there was very little scrutiny. Now the position is very different. In the first place, Congress membership is gradually acquiring a meaning which is no longer synonymous with nationalism. In the Central Government, the Congress leadership has associated with itself individuals who are not Congressmen; but in the States Governments, emphasis is laid on party membership. This is a policy dictated by necessity rather than anything else because non-party men of ability are few and these are attracted to the all-India stage rather than to the provincial With the partition of India, the forces which made for "national" governments were weakened; and, despite the intentions of the Congress leaders, the Centre will have to conform to the practice of the provinces. The Indian States and the States Unions present another picture because even Congressmen here are less intense party-men than in the old British Indian provinces. At the moment it can be truly said that the heart of the Congress beats in the ex-provinces; and, though the programmes adopted by Congress provincial ministries might appear more irksome and even narrow-minded, they are all evolved from the main planks of the Congress platform. This arises also from the fact that in the provinces ministries were formed in 1937 when the party was free from the parliamentary mind to a great extent. On the debit side, this has made the provincial administrations more conservative than the Central administration which often reacts strongly to the new and unusual problems of government. The Congress Working Committee must apply itself to this situation and arrive at a definite decision as to whether the party is to function as a close political party pursuing the old policies or to widen its platform to include a larger sphere. So far matters have been just allowed to drift without any direction. But obviously the time for decision has arrived. The Congress meeting should provide an opportunity for a much-needed revision, or reaffirmation.

Secondly, the political work of the Congress, outside the administration, needs gingering up. For a number of reasons, it was difficult for Congressmen to appear before the public and explain the various policies that were being worked out by the Congress Government. The negotiations with the Commonwealth nations and with Pakistan required delicate handling and could not be publicly discussed. The pre-occupations of the leading national figures with unaccustomed administrative tasks, the difficulties accentuated by a sudden depletion of experienced civil service men and the need to infuse a new spirit into secretarial work, on the one hand combined with the equal necessity of curbing those ardent party-men who felt it a right and a duty to assume the role of "a ruling race" increased the strain. On the whole, the Congress Governments have weathered these difficulties — in some States with credit; in others without. But it has meant a certain withdrawal from the public. Now it is essential that this state of affair should be corrected. With adult suffrage looming large on the political horizon, the task of educating the people must be taken up in earnest, and before undertaking it the Congress Party should itself have a trained body of workers who can explain the party programme and face criticism, not by dissociating themselves from the acts and words of the ministries but by full assumption of responsibility. There have been efforts to secure some co-ordination between Congress Committees and Congress Ministries in the States. But as these efforts were mainly by way of requiring three-monthly reports to be submitted to the Central Executive, they have not achieved any outstanding result. A firm declaration of policy will do much more than any number of mechanical adjustments, and it could be supplemented by requiring ministers to be included on provincial Congress Committees.

In dealing with the relations between the provincial Congress and the Ministry, some attention has to be paid to the procedure for dealing with serious complaints levelled against either a Minister or the entire Ministry. It has been so far very unsatisfactory, far too much dependent on the attitude of the "Court of Appeal". The result has been expulsions, resignations and washing of dirty linen in public. Governments must not only be manned by men of public spirit, they must be known to be composed of disinterested men. When a charge sufficiently precise, well supported by details, and advanced by a substantial number of persons, is submitted against an individual Minister, the proper course should be to suspend the individual and institute a full inquiry on the charge, making the result of the investigation public as soon as possible. If there is not a full clearing of his name, he should be asked to resign. We would even suggest that, when the accusation is against an entire Ministry, the Cabinet should be suspended pending an investigation. Nothing less can rid the country of the tremendous load of corruption, near-corruption and suspicion. Such a determination will not only redound to the credit of the party, it will even ensure that charges are not frivolously indulged in. The British maxim that a man must be presumed to be innocent until he is proved to be guilty, applies to the private life and conduct of the individual. In public affairs, the administration has to be jealously guarded against all suspicion. If the Congress even begins applying its mind to doing something along these lines, it will have done much to revitalise the party.

The Major Issue

The decision of the Thai Government not to recognise Bao Dai's Viet Nam and the other two States of Indo-China is a striking proof that South-East Asia is not unconscious of the dangerous consequences of serving merely as pawns in the Big Powers' game of power politics. The Government of Marshal Pibul Songgram is composed of men—those who constituted the majority also in the decision—who are no friends of Communism or Communists. But they are sufficiently realistic to understand the nature and potentialities of the situation that has developed. They may—as they are certainly ideologically inclined to do—recognise Bao Dai and thus place Thailand squarely on the side of the U. S. and the Western Allies. But what if Communism and Communists react with a challenge to Thailand and its present regime? Thailand by itself cannot stand up to this challenge without material support from the U. S. and Western Allies and, of course, Bao Dai needs immediate support against Dr. Ho Chi Minh, who is bound to receive every assistance from Mao's China and the Soviet Union. This, in fact, is true of every country, which joins any bloc. Naturally, therefore, American diplomats who met at Bangkok had to consider as the major political issue, "the grave responsibility of the U. S. and other Western powers arising from their moral support of Indo-China's three States". The success or failure of the U. S. to "contain" Communism in Asia will depend on the nature and extent of material—not military—support to Asian countries.

Thought For The Day

This above all, to thine own self be true.

—SHAKESPEARE.

Tete-à-Tete

WITHOUT COMMENT.

He gave a firm "no comment" to questions about Mr. Churchill's proposal that "another talk" with Marshal Stalin might help to end the cold war.

—President Truman's Press Conference.

He thought he would stay out of all comments on all speeches made in Britain for the next eight days.

—Mr. Dean Acheson's Press Conference.

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Dr. C. G. Jansen, Minister of Native Affairs, said in the South African Senate: "If we go into the cause of the recent riots you will find that women are, to a large measure, responsible for inciting the men."

Ends justify means. There is no depth to which Dr. Jansen and his brotherhood will not eagerly sink in the service of the sacred White cause.

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CAPE TOWN: "South Africa will act by gradual steps until the ideal of a free independent Republic is realised", declares Mr. J. G. Strydon, Minister of Lands.

In the meantime South Africa is working hard for rapid realisation of the ideal of freedom and independence from humanity, decency and the like.

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It is stated that the grave responsibility of the U. S. and other Western powers arising from their moral support of Indo-China's three States was the major South-East Asia political issue before the conference of U. S. Asian envoys which has just ended in Bangkok.

That's the headache. Indo-China's three States, as also others, require some logically material implementation of that moral support.

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The conference also considered that Thailand's expression of a general mood of disillusionment spreading over South-East Asia called for a positive policy in the area.

Exactly. These South-East Asians have become so worldly and security wise.

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The "Manchester Guardian" says the drama of the abandonment of imperialism in Asia by the West, was accompanied almost at the same time by the strong revival of imperialism in Asia by Russia.

Between the two imperialisms one is preferable to the other... but that is another story.

CORPORATION : WEEK BY WEEK

By Citizen

WITHIN a period of one week the City Corporation had to adjourn twice without transacting any business as a mark of respect first to the memory of Sardar Balwant Singh Dodhy on Thursday the 19th February and then to the memory of Dr. M. Jahvle a former Mayor.

Dr. Javle was a member of the Corporation for 29 years and a member of the Schools Committee for 19 years. He had made civic affairs his life mission and was keenly interested in improving the sanitary conditions of the Municipal Schools in the City. Sardar Dodhy on the other hand, had entered the Corporation on the 1st of April 1948 on an independent ticket. He was a member of the Improvements Committee and the Law, Revenue and General Purposes Committee, and was respected by all the sections of the House for his saintly character and for his unstinted championship of the cause of the poor.

There will be a bye-election for the seat fallen vacant by the death of Sardar Dodhy. It is possible that a seat in the Mandvi locality may also fall vacant. In normal circumstances one would expect an election contest between the Congress and the Socialist Party. But certain developments in the relation between the two parties in the Municipality recently make one pause to consider!

"COLD WAR" ENDS

It is now well known that the "cold war" between the two major parties in the Municipal Corporation is at and end and an agreement satisfactory to both the sides has been reached on all the outstanding points under dispute. The Congress Municipal Party have assured the Opposition that they had no intention of taking away the right of expression of the minority section in the Corporation and they were prepared to give adequate representation to the Opposition on all the Committees.

This agreement has considerably eased the tension in the House. The Congress Party as a gesture of their spirit of accommodation sportingly proposed to refer back to the BEST COMMITTEE the question of cancelling the transfer ticket on the tramways. Similarly they have also agreed to the postponement of the consideration of the question of amending the Act on the questions of Poll and the curtailment of the time to be allowed to the speakers.

ELECTION PACT?

The interesting question now arises whether this rapprochement will stop at this; or whether the two parties will also enter into an election pact to avoid elections for the two seats that are likely to fall vacant.

One consideration that may weigh with the two Parties is the fact that Mandvi is a stronghold of the Congress and the Socialists have very little chance of success in that locality. Similarly in the Byculla area the Socialists stand a better chance of success.

From the point of view of the general public such a pact will not be desirable. Now that the general elections are coming nearer, it is necessary that the two Parties must go to the electorates, present their programmes, and get the verdict on the same. This would educate the public in weighing the different programmes presented to them and taking decision in favour of one or the other. It is useful to the Parties themselves, as they know the reaction of the electorate and may be able to ascertain what the people would accept or reject, without much cost.

A CHANGEOVER

Another factor to be considered is the probable developments in the Congress Municipal Party itself. From the statements made by Sri S. K. Patil himself, it is clear that the Mayor was deeply concerned about the "Cold War" being waged in the Corporation and it is more than probable that his good offices must have been made available in bringing both the sides together. If it is so it is to be seen whether he continues to take interest in the Municipal affairs even after he vacates the Mayoral Chair. It is rumoured that he may elect to continue to be the Mayor for the second year. But if he steps down the Mayoral Chair he may choose a wider field for his activities. In which case the Congress Municipal Party may choose a younger team to direct the affairs of the Party. Will such a team be more friendly to the Socialist Party? One may expect developments in the Corporation with perhaps significance wider than just confined to Bombay Municipal affairs.

PRIMARY EDUCATION

The Report of the Special Attendance Officer about the progress of free and compulsory Primary Education has been adopted by the Corporation. From the Report it is clear that the number of children on rolls in the Schools both Municipal and non-municipal has increased during the period, But the number of non-attending compulsory age children is still alarming. The Special Attendance Of-

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FRANKLY SPEAKING

Warming Up

The British election campaign now in the last week of its intensity is warming up. Mr. Churchill, it is said, is trusting to his native wit and cigar to pull him through and added to the charm of his personality is the elasticity of the promises which he and his party-men are holding out in such profusion. The Labour campaign on the other hand, seems to be a colourless one: even Mr. Attlee's hecklers are not putting a good show. It is claimed by expert political judges — don't ask what they said before Truman got through a second term—that a few rotten eggs thrown at the candidate brings as many votes, for the self-righteous think kindly of the man who happens to be the victim of goondaism and their over-flowing sympathy finds expression on the polling day. But it was a shrewd Conservative move to think of that rattling good story, for we believe that it is the Tories who must have started the story of Winston Churchill's death, and it is sure to bring him many votes. It is worth a page of advertisement in the largest circulated daily. It is not the first time, however, that great men have "died" before their time and the sage Mark Twain remarked when a premature obituary appeared in a popular paper, that the news was slightly exaggerated. His, however, was a better fortune, than the case of another eminent man who was enraged when he saw his name appearing among the dead. And when the mistake was pointed out to the editor, that journalist with his tongue in his cheek published the correction, "We regret to point out that Mr. So and So had not died as reported yesterday..."

Synthesis In Medicine

The demand made by the All India National Medical Conference at New Delhi for recognition of the indigenous systems of medicine was just and timely. The Government of India cannot ignore their claim to state patronage when it was expected to promote various neglected interests of the country; but patronage to the indigenous systems should be direct and active. The Chopra Committee, whose appointment marked the initial approach made to them by the Government, has recommended the evolution of a system of medicine by the process of synthesis. In her message to the Conference, India's Health Minister Rajkumari Amrit Kaur gave a different interpretation of this recommendation when she stated that what the Committee had meant by synthesis was really fusion of knowledge from the indigenous systems with modern medicine. Her interpretation is likely to precipitate unnecessary controversy Obviously fusion does not amount to synthesis as it implies assignment of a subsidiary place to the indigenous systems. In this connection, the Government should note the resolution passed by the conference expressing its disapprobation of discrimination being made between the various prevalent systems of medicine. In order that synthetic medicine should be progressive, the resources from which it was expected to draw, should also be progressive and not stagnant. Following the introduction of Allopathy in this country, the development of Ayurveda and Unani was arrested as State patronage was denied to then. Now the growth of both must be stimulated on their own lines, so that synthetic medicine might continue to assimilate their fresh and useful developments. In view of the almost unexplored resources of Indian systems and of their peculiar scientific basis, the Government should not consider as extravagant the demand made by the conference to set up a special machinery in order to deal with them and to pave the way to ultimate synthesis.

Revolting Meanness

The White Government of South Africa is fighting for the very future of the Whites as the master race there. But the revolting lengths to which it is going is somewhat amazing even to those who know that the Whites are determined to protect their present position, happen what may. Mr. C. G. Jansen, South African Minister of Native Affairs, declared the other day in the Senate: "If we go into the cause of recent riots you will find that women are, to a large measure, responsible for inciting the men." Much of the present difficulties in African locations, Mr. Jansen added, was due to the presence of these women. What was he driving at and what action was he trying to justify in advance? There are weapons both of propaganda and of action which are so despicably mean that no decent or honourable person or group can resort to, whatever the stakes. Mr. Jansen is resorting to them. The stake, according to Mr. Jansen, is represented by his plea against the grant to Africans of any opportunity for "eventual" full citizenship, namely that it will be "a death-knell for the White race in South Africa". Perhaps he is right in terms of his conception of the place of the White race. But what he is doing is to hasten the hour for the "death-knell."

Usury

There has been a certain amount of criticism in India that the loans that have been negotiated with the International Bank have been obtained at very high interests, and Mr. A. Ramaswami Mudaliar has given expression to this feeling when he spoke at the United Nations Economic and Social Council. The Bank's defence was that such high interest was necessary to reassure investors. This seems to be at variance with the experience elsewhere, for the higher the interest offered, the more "shaky" the investment appears in the eyes of would-be investors. A stable bank, for instance, does not give a high rate of interest and it is only the smaller banks that offer high interest to attract capital Be that as it may, the Bank's Chief sought to answer Mr. Mudaliar's criticism by pointing out that the one per cent extra that is now being charged may not be charged after ten years, when it will be cheaper to borrow from the Bank. It is heartening to note that Mr. Black bases his calculations on such a long-term basis but he must not lose sight of the fact that the loans are urgently required by countries which can ill afford the usurious rate of interest. And they cannot wait for ten years for a cheaper rate of interest by which time they may not need the money at all.

Stirring Times

This generation has had the privilege of living through the times when the freedom movement came to a climax, resulting in the achievement of independence. Those were the glorious days when every man, woman and child was conscious of the birth-pangs of a nation that was being reborn before our own eyes. The scenes of thousands of upturned eager faces watching the Tri-colour fluttering defiantly at dawn, the sight of the police wielding lathis and canes ruthlessly, clanging ambulances rushing their victims to hospitals, mile-long processions renting the air with slogans, the quiet figure of Gandhiji conducting a prayer meeting, and the suffering and sorrows of the many men and women who sacrificed even their lives at the altar of freedom, will remain as vivid and unforgettable memories for many of us. But they must not be allowed to die with the present generation. In this respect the Government of India's decision to compile the history of the freedom movement in India will be welcome by all. They have planned an elaborate investigation and research and a committee has been set up under the chairmanship of Dr. Tara Chand, Secretary, Education Ministry, to collect material from all possible sources. Being a Government body it will be the best agency to collect such information but we doubt whether it would be right to leave the actual writing of the history to that body. Somehow, Government departments have a genius for making everything that they publish dull, though the Publications Department may yet prove an exception to the rule. Anyway just collecting material and catching the spirit of the stirring times are two different things. We hope that actual writing of the history will be given to men, who will be able to imprint on its pages the feelings, emotions, ideals and patriotism that inspired and sustained the movement.

HOW TO EARN DOLLARS

By S. Gordon Coller

THE ANNOUNCEMENT that Britain's export trade in January reached the highest level ever attained has coincided with two major steps in Britain to intensify still further the nation's drive to earn dollars.

The first is the statement on February 10 that conferences are to be held throughout the British industry to assist the various trade groups in their sales campaigns to Canada and the USA and the simultaneous publication by the Dollar Exports Board of the first of a series of information manuals on this subject. The second step is the announcement of new trade insurance facilities by the Export Credits Guarantee Department of the Board of Trade in London.

CONFERENCES

The trade conferences are to be held in two stages. Following the publication of the information manual "Dollar Sales—Consumer Goods" on February 10 and a companion booklet "Dollar Sales—Advertising and Sales Promotion" early next month, manufacturers and exporters of British consumer goods will be called together to discuss their common marketing problems. By then at least 20,000 firms will have received the books.

Meetings will be called jointly by the Federation of British Industries, the National Union of Manufacturers and the Association of British Chambers of Commerce, with representatives of trade associations and export groups in various consumer goods industries, including durable consumer goods. The progress towards increased sales in dollar areas by individual industries will be discussed, problems which remain will be analysed, and action agreed to raise the volume of American and Canadian shipments by the industry concerned.

The second phase will concern itself with capital goods and will follow the publication of the Dollar Export Board's final manual on the distribution and sale of industrial equipment and supplies in dollar countries. A series of nation-wide conferences with various producer goods industries on similar lines to those with consumer goods industries is then proposed.

EXPORTS BOARD

The Dollar Exports Board which is launching this new drive in Britain in an effort to bring trans-Atlantic trade nearer balance and so cure the most malignant disease of the world's post-war trade, is an independent self-governing voluntary organisation set up in June 1949 by representatives of British industry, trade, finances and organised labour.

The Chairman and Chief Executive of the Board, Sir Cecil Weir, who has just returned from Canada, has received a cable from Mr. James S. Duncan, Chairman of the Dollar-Sterling Trade Board, in which he commends the first booklet on "Dollar Sales" and adds: "You may rest assured that we in Canada will do our part to see that the maximum practical results are achieved".

The newly published booklet on consumer goods marketing contains a mass of advice and experience for manufacturers who are seeking to enter the American and Canadian markets which would apply equally to all those countries in the sterling area and Europe which are suffering from dollar shortage. It has been compiled by a working group of business men under the chairmanship of Mr. Laurence Heyworth, Director of the vast Unilever organisation in charge of overseas marketing.

Besides drawing liberally on the long experience of this organisation, it has been based on the advice received from groups with specialised knowledge of North America, such as the North American Buying Office, the Committee of the American Chamber of Commerce, British export merchants, the Incorporated Society of Sales Managers and many individual business men on both sides of the Atlantic. Its crystallised dollar wisdom is, therefore, based throughout upon the practical experience of British firms who have already succeeded in establishing a worthwhile export trade with the New World.

PRELIMINARY STEPS

The manual begins by describing the preliminary steps which any manufacturer must take before attacking the dollar markets to ensure the correct design and styling, colour and packaging, to ascertain the regulations of the U.S. Food and Drug Administration or the Canadian Food and Drug Act, the engineering and electrical standards applicable in those countries, the customs duties payable, keenness of price, the quantity which can be made available for export, and finance required.

The principles of distribution are then discussed in connection with market research and the advantages of various channels and methods surveyed. Throughout the book emphasis falls constantly on the need for overseas suppliers to provide in dollar markets the same prompt on-the-spot supply organisation, the same sales promotion backing, and the same after-sales services as those which the American and Canadian firms themselves supply.

GUARANTEES

To many smaller British manufacturers who could not otherwise face the financial risks involved in making proper use of North American techniques of market research, advertising and stock holding, these new trade insurance facilities are of vital importance. They take the form of guarantees which ensure that if the exporter fails through no fault of his own he will have a partner to share the loss.

Those guarantees, available for a small premium and varied to suit each individual case, cover market surveys, financial support for any new production or merchandising techniques indicated by the surveys, including consumer sampling, if necessary, financing of advertising and sales promotion campaigns, financing and holding of stocks in the U.S.A. and Canada, and extended financial risks taken when sales are made to local buyers and North American importers.

OUR READERS VIEWS

Aided Primary Schools

It is a matter of great surprise that the Bombay Government have not taken notice of the two conferences of Maharashtra Pantik Sahaharta Parishad held on 30th November 1949 and 22nd January 1950 at Nasik. No popular Government would have failed to grant an interview to the deputation of such a representative body and to mind serious nature of the resolution of the conference determined to close five thousand, one hundred and ten primary schools. Thus affecting the primary education of more than three lacs of children in villages. While taking this decision Institutes really regret for giving up the educational works of serving the illiterate masses. They would have been glad to know the decision of the Government that all the aided schools will be conducted by the local authority. But in the absence of such decision the education-minded social workers will regret more to see that this field of aided schools will be left at the mercy of the whims of individual teachers in the field. May I, therefore hope the journalists and the representatives of the people in legislature in general and the popular Educational Minister in particular will take immediate notice of taking over all the aided schools in Rural areas through local authorities. I know that the financial position of the Government will not permit them to take over all schools in the near future. Yet, I hold that the Government should manage with the funds at their disposal in their budget as per P. E. Rules framed by the Government and the scales approved for the aided schools by the Government in 1947.

V. J. WARLE.

Sholapur.

Two Voices

There are certain Ministers in the Bombay Cabinet whose periodical statements are a source of perpetual anxiety to common man. It seems these Ministers are constantly on the look out to show their independence of the Union Government in such a way as to give one an impression that they would brook no opposition from that quarter! Among these the place of pride must easily go to our Civil Supply Minister whose recent performance in this respect makes one wonder whether the overriding powers given to the Food Commissioner is a reality! Otherwise how can this Minister go so far as to contradict Mr. Patil in the same Press Conference in which he (Mr. Patil) was trying to allay the fears regarding our food position. It is not known whether his colleagues in the Cabinet share his views in this respect. If not then it is high time that he is made to make his exit from the Cabinet, so that the people of this State may be saved from constant anxiety regarding their food.

—V. R. SHIRODKAR.

Cumbay.

Teachers' Conference At Thana

The Bombay Provincial Federation of Secondary Teachers Associations have nothing to do with the conference of secondary teachers to be held at Thana on 20 and 21 February, 1950.

The Federation is the only competent and authorised body of teachers in the State and all past conferences were held under its auspices. The federation has been ceaselessly trying for ameliorating the service conditions of teachers and have placed the demands of teachers before the Government. The Government's decisions on them are keenly awaited.

The Federation appeals to all Secondary teachers and calls upon all the affiliated associations not to participate in the said conference and show their faith and confidence in the Federation.

—T. J. HANSOTY,
General Secretary,
The Bombay Provincial Federation of Secondary Teachers' Association.

Measuring Industrial Noise

An instantaneous noise measuring instrument which can even by used by an unskilled operative has been designed and manufactured by a British electro-acoustic engineer. It is for the investigation of noise sources in industry and for use in the production of testing appliances where noise limitation is important. The appliance to be tested is brought within standard distance from a small microphone and the indicating meter shows directly the resulting noise level.

The instrument consists of a small moving coil or contact microphone and a high-gain amplifier. This is followed by a second amplifying stage while the pre-set volume control is adjusted so that noise from a standard appliance is used to compare with similar types under test. A loudspeaker amplifier unit may also be incorporated with the measuring instrument to magnify the noise level and help to determine its constitution.

Most Powerful Diesel Engine

A new Diesel engine, claimed to be the most powerful of its size and type in the world, has been demonstrated at the Stockport works of a British engineering firm where it was developed during the past 18 months. It is four times as powerful as engines twice its size, and develops 2,270 b.h.p. at 900 revolutions per minute.

Vibration is so slight that a coin may be balanced on its edge on the casing as the engine is in motion. In addition to its many stationary uses it may be used to run railway trains and ships. The factory has been redesigned and extended in order to speed up production to meet the anticipated demand.

SUPPORT MOVE FOR UNITED KARNATAKA

Call To Mysore To Reshape Its Attitude

SHOLAPUR, February 17, (PTI).

MR. JAGHIRDAR, Vice-Chancellor of the Karnatak University inaugurating the thirty-third session of the All Karnatak Sahitya Sammelan, appealed to the people of Mysore to "lend their whole-hearted cooperation to the task of realising a United Karnatak Province."

The "only obstacle" in the way of this realisation was the Mysore issue Mr. Jaghirdar said, adding that he regretted the attitude of some Mysorean leaders who opposed Mysore forming part of Karnataka Province. Inclusion of Mysore in the proposed province, said Mr. Jaghirdar, was essential for the preservation of the literature and the cultural unity of Karnataka.

An appeal for the development of Kannadi literature was made by Professor Shrinivas Murthy of Mysore University who presided over the Conference. He said that on the progress of Kannadi literature depended largely the advance of the Kannada-speaking people.

Messages were received, amongst others, from India's Prime Minister, Pandit Nehru and Mr. K. C. Reddi, Chief Minister of Mysore.

U. K. Imports Of Carpets And Lace Goods

NEW DELHI, Feb. 17: The Board of Trade in the United Kingdom has decided to place imports of Indian carpets on Open General Licence from February 20, 1950 with an overriding maximum retail price of 54 shillings per square yard, exclusive of purchase tax.

The Board has also decided to fix a bulk quota of £30,000 for the import of Indian lace goods in 1950.

French Strike Ineffective

PARIS, Feb. 17 (P.T.I.-Reuter): A two-hour rail strike and a 24-hour miners strike, called by the Communist-led General Confederation of Labour in France today, were generally ineffective.

Two-thirds of the miners and all surface workers in the northern coal fields were at work, according to the Ministry of industrial production tonight.

Indians Climb Highest Peak In Mount Kenya

NAIROBI, Feb. 17. The first Asian party reached one of the highest snow-capped peaks on Mount Kenya when they managed to reach Point Linana on Tuesday, 14th instant despite heavy snow storm. The honour to reach it first was given to Mr. Shahane, Information Officer to the Commissioner for the Government of India in East Africa who thus became the first Indian to climb the peak.

One of the party Mrs. Pant in an attempt to reach the peak climbed up to a height of 15,000 feet. The party included a fourteen year old boy, Aravind Desai, who reached the peak second. The peak is 16,300 feet high and lies on the equator.

Stop Press

NEHRU'S ADVICE TO S. L. SAXENA

NEW DELHI, Feb. 17 (PTI).—The Prime Minister, Pandit Nehru, in reply to a letter from Prof. Sibban Lal Saxena, M.P. and President of the U.P. Chini Mill Mazdoor Federation, has suggested "some other means" than the proposed "fast unto death" for getting the demands of the U.P. Sugar labourers accepted by the Government.

LIE TRYING TO END U. N. DEADLOCK

LAKE SUCCESS, Feb. 17 (P.T.I.-Reuter): Mr. Trygve Lie, United Nations Secretary-General, told a press conference today that the world would be " lot better off" if there had been more real negotiation among the great powers during the last three years. He said he was continuing his talks with Security Council members in an attempt to find a way of breaking the deadlock over Chinese representation. He had no results to report so far.

MEWAR ADIVASIS' DEMAND

NEW DELHI, Feb. 17 (P.T.I.): The Mewar Adivasi, Conference, held on Monday in Kotada (a village in the former Udaipur State) demanded the appointment of a Commission to investigate into the social and economic condition of the Adivasis of the hilly tracts of Mewar in Rajasthan.

ABDULLAH'S PEP TALK TO HYDERABADIS

HYDERABAD (Dn.), Feb. 17 (PTI): Sheikh Mohammed Abdullah, Chief Minister of Jammu and Kashmir, told a crowded public meeting here tonight that the people of Hyderabad need not be disheartened that they had no popular Government in the State yet. Pandit Nehru and Sardar Vallabhbhai Patel, he could assure them, had no intention of ruling Hyderabad.

UNCLE SAM'S ARM

WASHINGTON, Feb. 17 (P.T.I.-Reuter): The United States Joint Chiefs of Staff have proposed that military aid should be given to South-East Asian countries to help them resist the threat of Communist aggression, it was learned authoritatively today. State Department and defence officials said plans were under consideration by which arms and ammunition would be made available to Indo-China, Burma, Thailand and Indonesia.

News Briefs

AUSTRALIANS ARRESTED: The Karachi police has arrested two Australian nationals, Henry Walker and John Williams who were attempting to cross the Pakistan border near Landhi in a taxi. These two Australians are wanted in Australia in some cases of forgery, cheating and conspiracy.

CARPETS: The Board of Trade in the United Kingdom has decided to place imports of Indian carpets on Open General Licence from February 20, with an overriding maximum retail price of 54 shillings per square yard, exclusive of purchase tax. The Board has also decided to fix a bulk quota of £30,000 for the import of Indian lace goods in 1950.

MATERNITY HOME: A maternity home in the name of Sardar Patel will be erected at Bardoli, the place which is traditionally well connected with the Sardar's name. Mr. Morabhai Patel has donated Rs. 50,000 for the purpose.

WARNING: The Hyderabad Department of Agriculture has warned dealers in the State not to import sunflower from Argentine and Peru, as a virulent disease of sun flower was recently found in Argentine and a new virus of sunflower was recorded from Peru. The disease is transmissible by seed.

CONFERENCE: A conference of the Socialist workers of Deccan will be held in Kolhapur in April.

TURNABOUT: The Madras Government budget for 1948-49 which was anticipated to be a surplus by Rs. 51 lakhs has turned out to be a deficit one to the extent of Rs. 5 lakhs, according to accounts finalised, the Finance Minister told pressmen Friday.

LONDON STOCK EXCHANGE

LONDON, Feb. 17 (PTI-Reuter)—There was quiet cheerfulness in most sections of the London Stock Exchange at the close of the week. Leading industrial issues made further upward progress although the pace was slower than of late. A feature of the section was a gain of six points in cable and wireless ordinary stock to around two hundred and seventy-five following details of the revised reconstruction scheme.

Recent favourites such as electrical equipments and building shares were again wanted.

British Government securities were hesitant and inclined lower in an idle market.

Japanese bonds came under fire from sellers on the report from Tokyo that the Japanese had not funds necessary to resume debts service of redemption. Losses of two points were fairly widespread.

Hopes of "real understanding" in Anglo-American dollar oil talks assisted oil share section to hold scattered firmness.

Rubbers were a few pence higher where changed.

There was a better tone to coppers but Kaffirs were mixed. Dividend payers moved higher but Freestarters eased on local sales.

Ahmedabad Share Market

(From Our Correspondent)

AHMEDABAD, Feb. 17.

There was allround selling pressure of bears market closed with the lowest rates of the session.

Fluctuations: Calico opened 293-8, highest 294-4, lowest 288-8.

Arvind opened 793, lowest 772,

Abica opened 361, highest 363, lowest 359.

Deferred opened 1652, highest 1654, lowest 1627.

Closing quotation: Calico 28-4, Arvind 773, Ambica 359, Deferred 1628, Laxmi Cotton 230, Jupitor 262, Marsdon 149-8, Monogram 143, Saraspur 282.

Payment rates: Calico 290, Arvind 775, Ambica 360, Deferred 1630, Jupitor 260, Marsdon 150, Monogram 145, Saraspur 280.

NEW YORK STOCKS

NEW YORK, Feb. 17.

Stock Exchange opening prices:

Anaconda Copper Mining	29-3/8
General Motors	75
U.S. Steel Common	29-3/4

Ditto Prefesence unquoted.—(P.T.I.-Reuter).

LATEST COMMERCIAL NEWS

NEW YORK COTTON MARCH

NEW YORK, Feb. 17.

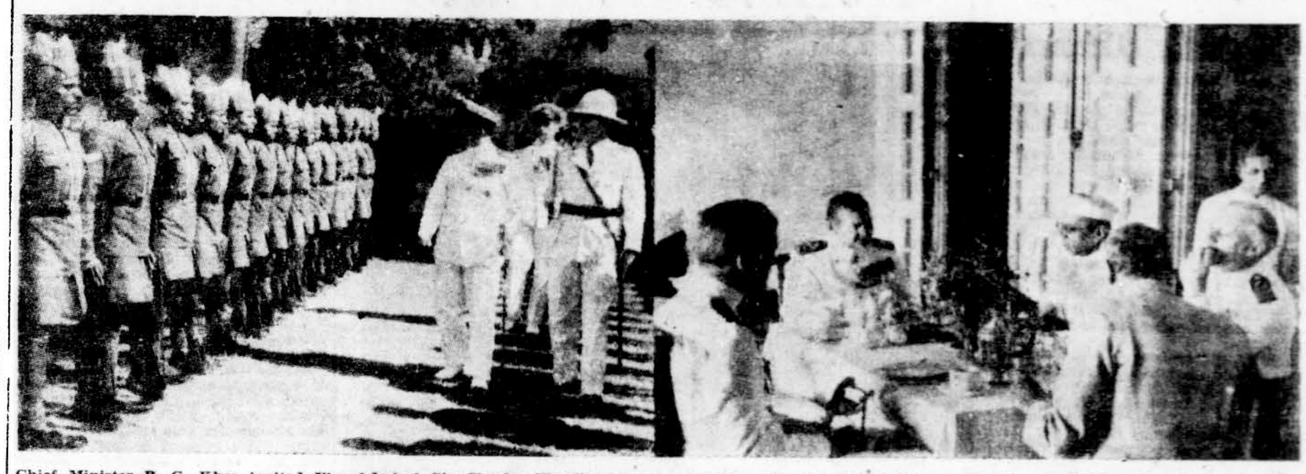
Previous closing	32.07
Today's opening	32.09
Difference	+2
Today's closing	32.20
Difference	+13

LAST QUOTATIONS

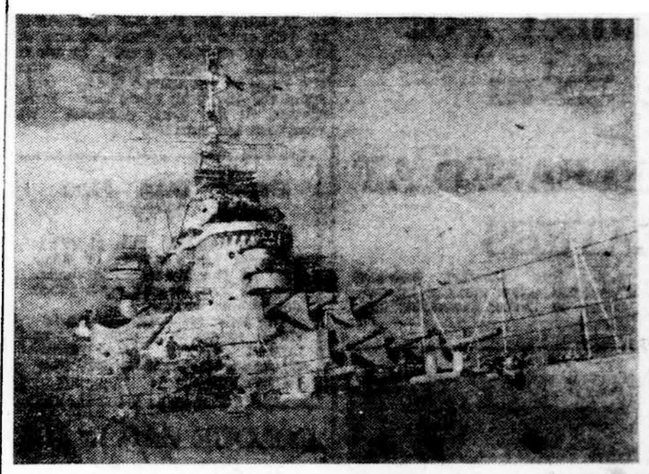
BOMBAY, Feb. 17.

Silver Forward	Rs. 181 8
Gold Forward	Rs. 115 8
Silver Bullion	Rs. 181 0
Silver Mint	Rs. 182 0
Gold Ready	Rs. 115 8
Sovereign	Rs. 75 4

MR. KHER MEETS VICE-ADMIRAL WOODHOUSE



Chief Minister B. G. Kher invited Vice-Admiral Sir Charles Woodhouse to tea Friday. The Vice-Admiral is commanding H.M.I.S. "Mauritius" which arrived in Bombay Friday. At left: Sir Charles inspecting a guard of honour. At right: at tea.



H.M.S. "Mauritius" that arrived in Bombay Friday. It is open to the public on February 18, 19 and 22. Passes will be issued by the Navy Office on Mint Road.

BOMBAY M. L. A.s TAKE OATH OF ALLEGIANCE

Opposition To Present A United Front?

BOMBAY, Friday.

ONE HUNDRED AND SIXTY SEVEN members out of the total strength of 233 took the oath of allegiance to the Constitution of India when the Budget Session of the Bombay Legislative Assembly commenced in the Council Hall this afternoon. Mr. K. S. Firodia, Speaker, was in the chair.

The ceremony took 110 minutes, at the end of which the Speaker announced that the rest of the members would be sworn in, in his Chamber on Saturday. The House then adjourned till Monday when Raja Maharaj Singh, the Governor of Bombay, will address the Assembly.

Most of the members were in their seats by one o'clock. By the time the proceedings started punctually at 2 p.m. the hall was packed to capacity, due to the attendance of a large number of new members from the Merged States. A number of visitors also watched the swearing-in ceremony from the "Visitors' Gallery."

The oaths were taken in a polyglot of languages—English, Hindi, Urdu, Marathi, Gujarati and Kannada, Mr. M. P. Patil, Minister for Agriculture, using Kannada, his mother-tongue, and the Finance Minister Mr. V. L. Mehta, using Gujerati.

The procedure was for the Secretary of the Legislative Assembly Mr. S. K. Sheode, to read out the name of the Member, after which the Member would read out the oath and go back to his seat after shaking hands with the Speaker.

THE FIRST MEMBER

Before the swearing-in ceremony started, the Speaker read out the Government notification authorising him to administer the oath to the Members. Mr. S. N. Angadi, Deputy Speaker of the Assembly was the first to be called upon to take the oath of allegiance and duty to the Republic. He was followed by the Chief Minister and other Ministers, the leader of the Opposition, the Parliamentary Secretaries, the Chief Whip of the Congress Party and other members of the Assembly who came in an alphabetical order of their names.

The Karnatak bloc of legislators, consisting of 22 members and Mr. M. P. Patil, Minister for Agriculture, Government of Bombay, which had tendered resignations en masse to the Congress High Command, was present.

POLICE PRECAUTIONS

The police bandobust at the entrance and exits of the Council Hall was complete, with officers scrutinising carefully the credentials of every one who went in or out.

An important development with regard to the politics of the Legislative Assembly, is expected to be the emergence of some sort of "organised opposition" on the floor of the House. At present the Opposition is divided into five groups with a total strength of 37. This includes five Socialists, 24 members of the Fourth Party, five members of the Workers and Peasants Party, one member of the Hindu Mahasabha and two Independents.

A Socialist member of the Assembly told a reporter of this paper that for some time past an attempt has been made to bring all these divergent groups together, so as to consolidate them into a united front for the purpose of opposition. The move seems to have met with success in as much as members of all the groups have agreed that in spite of their divergent political view-points they must unite on all matters where a question of principle is not involved.

Leaders of all the groups are shortly to meet again, when a final decision in this regard is expected to be taken.

Pak Premier To Visit U.S. In May

(From Our Correspondent).

KARACHI, Feb. 17: According to the programme now tentatively fixed, Mr. Liaquat Ali Khan, the Prime Minister of Pakistan, will be paying an official visit to U. S. A. during the month of May 1950.

Mr. and Mrs. Liaquat Ali Khan are expected to leave Karachi for this tour by a special Aircraft on May 1 and will pass two days in Cairo. They will then proceed to Washington as the guests of President Truman.

People here expect that Mr. Liaquat Ali Khan will be accorded the same reception and will be received with the same enthusiasm during his tour of the States, as was done in the case of Indian Prime Minister, Pandit Nehru.

Hindi In Rajasthan High Court

JAIPUR, Feb. 17, (PTI): The Rajpramukh of Rajasthan has authorised, with the previous consent of the President of India, the use of Hindi in the High Court of Rajasthan to the extent permissible under provisions Clause two of the Article 348 of the Indian Constitution it was officially announced

The G.I.s Stay On

TOKYO Feb. 17, (PTI-Reuter): The hopes of an early peace treaty or withdrawal of the United States forces from Japan have been dashed by plans to build 4,000 more houses for dependents of American occupation troops, according to Japanese sources.

Houses will be built by the Japanese Government from proceeds for the sale of United States aid supplies, they said.

General MacArthur's headquarters today officially declined to comment on the report.

AN ELECTION TRICK

Berlin Paper On Churchill's Offer

BERLIN, Feb. 17 (PTI-Reuter).

MR. WINSTON CHURCHILL'S offer to talk to Stalin was only an election trick, the Soviet-licensed "Berliner Zeitung" said today.

"The rules of play of an election, Western style, demand that leading politicians shall put before the people a nice programme that corresponds to the interests of the working man. The rules of play also go to show that they never stick to this programme," the paper said.

"Mr. Churchill's statement and Foreign Secretary Ernest Bevin's reply that he was always ready to open conversations with the Soviet Union was just as much an electioneering trick as President Truman's short-lived offer to send the Chief Justice to Moscow in 1948," the "Berliner Zeitung" added.

"But the fact that these gentlemen have to propose an Anglo-Soviet or an American-Soviet agreement in order to improve their election prospects is not to be disregarded.

"It is the best proof of the fact that all peoples of the world wish for nothing better than firm friendship and co-operation with the Soviet Union."

SOCIALISTS' PROSPECT

Looks Good, Smells Good, Sounds Good

(From Our Correspondent)

LONDON, Feb. 17.

It looks good, smells good, sounds good, said Mr. Herbert Morrison today about Socialist election prospects, adding, "We must not celebrate victory until it is achieved. Indeed, overconfidence may lead to slackness on the part of the Socialists."

The labour votes are usually cast between six and nine in the evening The worker gets home after the day's work, has tea, changes clothes, and walks with his wife to the polling station. If he believes that Labour is going to win in any case, he may not bother to vote at all.

While the Tories are bullying and nagging at the Liberals, Mr. Morrison openly declared his sneaking admiration for Liberal guts in nominating so many candidates (472), though, he said, he could not feel they would do much.

Several hotels and restaurants have arranged special election night dinners on the polling day (February 23). Results will be relayed by all cinema theatres. Pubs will remain open till the early hours of the morning.

The first phase of electioneering will end tomorrow, adds the PTI. This will leave four days including a Sunday, before polling day, which will be devoted more to doorstep canvassing and intimate contacts between the constituents and their candidates.

The last word on the radio will remain with Mr. Attlee who will speak to the nation tomorrow, with which the radio campaign will shut down.

The Communists are still the "dark horse" in the election field. They have a record number of candidates—nearly five times their last venture-out in 1945. Some of their intellectuals like Palme-Dutt, Harry Pollitt and Dr. Hewlett Johnson, the "Red" Dean of Canterbury, still draw sizeable audiences.

RADIO LINK FOR MAJOR CITIES

MADRAS, Feb. 17 (PTI): The Director-General of Posts and Telegraphs, Mr. Krishna Prasada, stated here today that a scheme for linking up the four cities, Bombay, Calcutta, Delhi and Madras by wireless had been approved by the Department of Posts and Telegraphs and it would be implemented as soon as the requisite wireless apparatus, for which an order had already been placed, was received.

At present, he said, they had only overhead wires which were "at the mercy of the elements" and also liable to be tampered with. The wireless system functioned at present only between Calcutta and Gauhati.

Famine Conditions In Madras Districts

MADRAS, Feb. 17. (PTI): Mr. M. Baktavatsalam, Minister for Public Works, Madras stated here today that acute drought conditions prevailed in Dharapuram, Udamulpet and Palladam taluks of Coimbatore District but the general food situation in these places was "well in hand".

More Women M. P.'s—Shaw

LONDON, Feb. 16 (PTI-Reuter): George Bernard Shaw tonight made a second intervention in the British General Election to urge the "pressing need" for more women on representative bodies.

"Many of the male parliamentary candidates in all parties are mere party yes-men and superannuated gossips", he wrote to Miss Marion Billson, wishing her success as Labour candidate for the constituency of Croydon, East, near London.

Shaw's other intervention was in support of Konni Zilliacus, who was expelled from the Labour Party for pro-Communist views and who is contesting a Gateshead County Durham seat as an independent Labour candidate

'NO-BARTER PACT FAVOURED'

S. African Position Clarified

CAPE TOWN, Feb. 17 (P.T.I.-Reuter): The South African Government does not favour entering into barter agreements, the Minister for Economic Affairs, C. Louw, said today.

He had been asked in the Assembly whether any barter agreement had been concluded between the Union and Pakistan for jute and coal. The Minister said he had discussions with the leaders of the recent Pakistan delegation about the reestablishment of trade relations between the two countries with particular reference to coal and jute.

"I understand negotiations have recently been conducted by the Pakistan Coal Controller and the South African coal producers, he said.

REPLACING SAFETY ACTS

Centre's Legislation Soon

LUCKNOW, Feb. 17 (UPI): The Government of India, it is understood, are intending to bring a Bill in Parliament very shortly replacing the existing maintenance of public order acts in the various States as it has now become a concurrent subject under the Constitution. While the purpose of the Bill is to bring about uniformity which the existing legislations in this connection in different States lack, the Bill will naturally be based on the provisions of the Constitution.

It is also learnt that in the meanwhile, the Government of Uttar Pradesh are amending their present Act in view of the recent ruling of the Allahabad High Court that no person can be detained without trial for failure to furnish security for maintenance of peace

ALIGARH COMMUNIST STUDENTS EXPELLED

Used Abusive Language Against Government

(From Our Correspondent).

ALLAHABAD, Feb. 17: It is reported that Communist girl and boy students who recently created trouble in Aligarh Educational institutions had to be forcibly removed from these institutions. The students while addressing meetings, abused the Government officials and Ministers.

School authorities are taking precautions against mixing up of non-Communist students with Communists.

Several students who were recently expelled from Muslim University and its allied institutions appear to be organising a Communist front in Aligarh.

Bangalore Telephone Factory

NEW DELHI, Feb. 17 (UPI)—The Government telephone factory at Bangalore, it is learnt, will shortly be taken over and run on commercial lines by the private company registered last month at Bangalore in the name of the Indian Telephone Industries Ltd.

The new company has an authorised share capital of 2-1 3 crores.

The Directors of the new company who have been appointed by the Government of India are:—Mr. V. K. R. Menon, ICS., Secretary, Ministry of Communications, Chairman.

Mr. R. Narainswamy, Joint Secretary, Ministry of Finance, Mr. B. R. Batra, Chief Engineer, Telephones, P.T. and T. Deptt., Mr. Madumbedar and Mr. R. Natarajan, General Manager, Bangalore Telephone Factory (Managing Director).

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Owing to the delay in the arrival of wheat supplies from overseas, the wheat ration is being reduced to 32 ozs. per week per adult card and the rice ration is being increased temporarily to 32 ozs. per week.

CUT OUT **R** AND KEEP

REVISED RATION QUANTUM

Foodgrains ration quantum for the 8th Rationing Week of 1950 commencing from Sunday, February 19, 1950, to Saturday, February 25, 1950, has been fixed as follows:—

Total Cereal Ration Per Week	Per Adult (2 Foodgrains Units)	Per Child (1 Foodgrains Unit)	Per Heavy Manual Labourer's Supplementary Ration Card of one unit.
Total Cereal Ration Per Week	84 ozs.	42 ozs	28 ozs.
Maximum available in Rice	32 ozs.	16 ozs	8 ozs.
of which—			
(a) Raw Rice Sort I—A or	12 ozs.	6 ozs.	Nil
(b) Raw Rice Sort I or	32 ozs.	16 ozs.	8 ozs.
(c) Raw Rice Sort II or	24 ozs.	12 ozs.	6 ozs.
(d) Boiled Rice Sort I—A (if available)	12 ozs.	6 ozs.	Nil
Maximum available in Bajri	12 ozs.	6 ozs.	8 ozs.
Maximum available in Wheat*	32 ozs	16 ozs.	8 ozs.
of which—			
(a) Maximum available in Wheatgrain	32 ozs.	16 ozs.	8 ozs.
(b) Maximum available in Wheatflour (if available)	32 ozs.	16 ozs.	8 ozs.
(c) Additional Wheatgrain or Wheatflour available in exchange for Rice quantum	32 ozs.	16 ozs.	8 ozs.
Maximum available in Dehusked Barley	8 ozs.	4 ozs.	4 ozs.

(16 ozs. make one lb.)

Bread Tickets can be obtained within the permissible quantity of wheat available in the ration quantum at the rate of one Bread Unit for 28 ozs. of wheat ration One Bread Unit is equivalent to 28 ozs. of Bread.

Bread is only available on Bread Tickets during the week Marked on the tickets and upto Saturday of the following week

As a measure to reduce consumption of Rice, Cardholders are allowed to draw their rice quota wholly or in part in wheatgrain or wheatflour (if available). The combined Rice-Wheat quota should not exceed 64 ozs. of which only 32 ozs will be available in Rice

SUGAR

THE QUANTUM OF SUGAR FOR THE 8TH RATIONING WEEK WILL BE 8 OZS. PER RATION CARD.

Famous Musician Engaged For "Pyar"

Director V. M. Vyas, who has been making Gujarati pictures for the last few years will now be producing Hindi socials once more. Under the banner of Sunrise Pictures, his next venture is "Pyar", and he has already marshalled a formidable cast including Nargis and Raj Kapoor.

Sachin Dev Varman, whose delightful music played a very important part in the success of "Shabnam", has been engaged for the music. The songs are well under way, and, having heard a couple of them, I can state that they are definitely up to his usual high standard, and will be well worth loking forward to.

27TH WEEK

ASK ANY ONE .... HE WILL

JUST SAY "LABALAPPA" — —

and go in RAPTURES—That's

EK-THI LARKI

BOMBAY'S GREATEST FAVOURITE
Daily: 3-30, 6-15, 9-30

KAMAL
Sun. 12 Noon

PALACE
Sat. Sun. 11-45
A SCREENS Release

2nd SMASH WEEK!

"The Northern Lights Of Bombay"

AURORA

NOTE CHANGE IN TIMINGS:
Daily at 3, 6-15 & 9-15 p.m.
The Greatest Drama in World Literature!
WILLIAM SHAKESPEARE'S IMMORTAL CLASSIC

"HAMLET"
Laurence Olivier, Jean Simmons

TOMORROW MORNING at 10-30 a.m.
ALEXANDRE DUMAS'
"MAN IN THE IRON MASK"
Louis Hayward, Joan Bennett

MATCHLESS MUSICAL!

DULARI
Directed by KARDAR
Music NAUSHAD

NOVELTY
CITY LIGHT
SWASTIK
(Malad)
Daily: 3-30
6-30, 9-30
Sunday: 12-30
Daily: 12-30
3-30, 6-30, 9-30

17TH WEEK OF POPULARITY
RAKHI
PRAKASH'S Hit of the Day
KAMINI KAUSHAL
LAMINGTON
3, 6-15, 9-30. Sun. 12
An EVERGREEN Release

14th WEEK
OF POPULAR FAME!
INDIAN NATIONAL PICTURES LTD'S
ARZOO
KAMINI KAUSHAL, DILIP KUMAR
NEW WEST END
Daily: 3-30, 6-30, 9-30. Sun. 12-30
RIVOLI (Matunga)
BANDRA TALKIES
INDIA FILM EXCHANGE Release

DUTY TO HER
WAS GREATER THAN LOVE!!
NEW THEATRES HIT—
MANZOOR 4TH
Bharati, Ashit, Chhabi, Chandra
MINERVA
BIG WEEK
Daily: 3-30, 6-30, 9-30
Sun. Holi. 12-30 Adv. 10 to 12

'MANZOOR' DRAWS LARGE CROWDS

Realistic Drama

Nurses have a hard enough lot as it is, loved and honoured by some, despised and ignored by others. However, it is certainly news when a doctor adopts the latter attitude.

In New Theatres' "Manzoor", which is attracting large crowds to Minerva, a doctor jilted by a nurse in his younger days, and takes it out on his son when he too goes and becomes romantically attached to a nurse. Not satisfied with putting a spoke in his son's plans, he starts casting aspersions on all nurses as a class & his position soon becomes so untenable that he is forced to tender his resignation to the hospital where he is the chief surgeon.

Bharati, a newcomer to the screen, gives a good account of herself in the role of the angel of mercy, while the romantic lead is in the hands of Ashit Baran. Written by the famous Bengali author Benoy Chatterjee, the music is by Punkaj Mullick and direction by Subodh Mittra.

'NUM NADU' IN TAMIL

Shantaram, director of several outstanding films, has now given us his "Num Nadu" which is running for one week only at the Plaza.

In this film a battle is seen raging between the hero and a notorious band of blackmarketers. The film should prove a success with the Tamil-speaking section of the Bombay public.

"Har Har Mahadev" Still Popular

Jayant Desai's lavishly produced film 'Har Har Mahadev' which had its premiere in ten theatres, is still running at six or seven theatres in its fourth week, and the patronage of the large crowds testifies to the popularity that the film enjoys with the general public. Audiences are more than satisfied with the fare provided by Desai, for he has spared neither time nor trouble in order to make the presentation more realistic.

Charming new comer Vijayalaxmi in "Shadi-ki-Raat".

INDIAN FILMS

Who won't play such tricks if he could make a young woman laugh? Kishore Sahu succeeds in making Ramola laugh, in Rhim Jhim.

Another Laurel For Kishore Sahu

"RHIM JHIM" RELEASED AT FIVE THEATRES

KAPURCHANDS are responsible for the five theatre release of Hindustan Chitra's "RhimJhim", which, after delighting audiences in major up-country centres, came to town yesterday at the Roxy and four other theatres.

The film represents a personal triumph for talented Kishore Sahu, who, in addition to being the producer, is co-starred with Ramola and Mohana. That fine character actor Mubarak has a major role in the picture, and well-known dancers Mumtaz Ali and Alaknanda do various attractive dance specialities.

GOOD ENTERTAINMENT

The plot is a credible one without any far-fetched melodramatic ingredients, and Sahu, who wrote the script, has, in "Rhim Jhim", given us clean and wholesome entertainment, completely free from any taint of vulgarity. The pleasant set of melodies which have been composed for the film greatly enhances its appeal, and it is more than likely that Bombay will be taking this picture to its heart.

'Pyar Ki Raat' In Second Week

That ace "stunt" man Bhagwan has the time of his life in "Pyar Ki Raat", now running at the New Roshan Talkies in its second week. Along with his favourite henchman Baboorao, he tries to lead an honest existence, but finds himself being thwarted at every step by a buch of unsavousy cutthroats.

The thrills are interspersed with plenty of tuneful music.

Geeta Bali in Ranjit's "Garibi".

Ranjit's Social Stays On

"Garibi", which is currently the attraction at the Liberty cinema, is a story of middle class life and the struggle for existence of the lower economic strata of society. Geeta Bali stars in the main role and she receives good support from a strong cast. Attractive music, well in keeping with the mood of the story, has been composed by Bulo C. Rani.

P. S. C. :The Rajpramukh of Mysore has, by a Regulation published in a Gazette Extraordinary on Friday constituted a public service commission for Mysore State under Article 318 of the Indian Constitution.

LIGHT SATIRE ON DOWRY SYSTEM

"Shadi Ki Raat" A Romantic Musical Comedy

WITH their latest production "Shadi Ki Raat", Prakash have given us a light-hearted satire on the dowry system, and humorously depicted the mishaps that can occur when the system of dowry is too highly venerated. The film has been released at the Super Cinema.

The story centres round a group of idealistic youths at college who commence a discussion on the type of girl suited to make the best possible wife. Needless to say there is a large measure of disagreement on this very controversial theme. A photograph sets in motion a chain of events which threatens to entwine the characters in inextricable tangles, but all works out for the best, and ends in wedding bells.

SMOOTH PLOT

The central roles are played by Geeta Bali, Rehman and Aroon, while good support is rendered by an attractive newcomer, Vijayalakshmi. Yeshwant Petkar's direction unfolds the plot smoothly from a script by noted playwright Bal Govind Srivastava. The numerous songs of the film are set to the attractive music of Pandit Gobindram.

DRAMA OF MARITAL CONFLICT

"Nai Bhabi" which is now running at the Krishna, Capitol and five other cinemas, is a drama built on the conflict between Indian tradition and the Western mode of living, a drama in which a long suffering wife is abandoned by her husband because of misunderstandings and suspicion. Her husband, who marries a modern young woman who has absorbed western influences, realises only too soon the worth of the woman he has spurned.

BRILLIANT COMEDY STAYS ON

Tuneful And Varied Music In "Ek Thi Larki"

Bombay's enthusiasm for Shorley's "Ek Thi Larki" shows no signs of waning, and the film is going strong at the Kamal. Debonair Motilal finds himself in trouble a—plenty when he engages vivacious Meena as his secretary. Laughs come long and loud in this outstanding comedy.

"Lara Lappa", an exhuberant song by Vinod, has set Bombay humming, but this is merely the highlight of a varied and tuneful score. Majnu and Johar are two scoundrels who set out to be the "heavies" of the film and wind up as the clowns. Definitely worth seeing.

A scene from "Nai Bhabi".

ENTHUSIASTIC CROWDS CREATE A PROBLEM

Sohrab Modi Seeks Police Help In Lucknow

Sohrab Modi had gone to Lucknow with a small troupe of artistes for outdoor shooting of "SHEESH MAHAL", Minerva's picture under production. The troupe consisted amongst others of such cine-celebrities as Nigar Sultana, Pran and Mubarak.

The news of Sohrab Modi's trip to Lucknow somehow secretly spread, with the result that on their way to Lucknow, the troupe was surprisingly greeted by crowds of cinefans at Jhansi, Kanpur and other Railway stations. It was no wonder, that he and his troupe were besieged by thousands of cinefans when they detrained at Luckno and stayed there for over a week.

CREATED PROBLEM

Crowds of people mostly comprising of students were there from morning to midnight and followed the troupe wherever they went. These crowds eventually created a problem for Sohrab Modi because he found it impossible to control them at the time of shooting. He had, therefore, to resort to the help of a strong police party to facilitate his work. The crowds though over-enthusiastic were good and genial.

Sohrab Modi, after finishing his short shooting programme for—"Sheesh Mahal" was to leave Lucknow on the morning of the 10th but to forestall the anticipated antics of the crowds again he and his party left the hotel at midnight on the 9th staying the whole night in the reserved railway carriage in the station yard.

MADHUBALA AS A GYPSY

Triple Premiere For 'Dulari'

Kardar's 'Dulari' which had its premiers at the Novelty yesterday, is also running at the City Lights and the Swastik Theatre at Malad. The producers expect great things of this picture, for it has had a very successful run at Calcutta, Nagpur and Delhi.

As is usual with him, Kardar has stressed the entertainment angle, and we hav ean action-filled story of a girl who is kidnapped at a tender age by a band of gypsies and grows up as one of them. The plot thickens when she falls in love with a wealthy lad from outside the gypsy group.

Madhubala, who has recently received high praise for her keen dramatic sense, stars in the film with vivacious Geeta Bali, while ex-juvenile lead Suresh has his first stellar romantic role. The support is made up of veterans like Shyam Kumar, Jayant, Amar and Pratima Devi.

Authentic gypsy settings set off the dramatic aspects of this tale of love, jealousy and revenge. Photographed by Divecha, the film has been directed with sympathy by Kardar, and the plot is woven round a story by Shums Lucknavi. Shakil Badayuni wrote the lyrics of the eleven songs which highlight the film, while the music, written in the gypsy manner, was composed by Naushad.

Every Dog Has Its Day!

AHMEDABAD, Feb. 17 (PTI-Reuter): The shooting of stray dogs on the streets of Ahmedabad has been stopped, by a police department order.

The order followed a recent incident in which a passerby was injured while a police officer, trying to shoot a stray dog, missed the mark.

COLOUR BAR IN U.K. ELECTION

Indian Candidate's Charge

LONDON, Feb. 15. (PTI-Reuter): The only Indian among the 1,800 candidates in the British General Election complained tonight of "the colour bar" and "vicious racialism" in quarters opposing him in the constituency he hopes to represent.

Sardar K.S.B. Ahluwalia, 46 years old Sikh businessman from Kapurthala in the Punjab, made the protest in his election address as Liberal candidate sent out to 67,000 electors in the London working class constituency of West Willesden.

CHARGE

Sardar Ahluwalia did not suggest that the other candidates opposing him were personally responsible but said, "many of their supporters have introduced the colour bar and have been urging electors not to vote for me because I am an Indian.

"I believe that the colour bar is foreign to the British and to the British sense of justice and fair play. It is my firm conviction that the people of West Willesden will reply to such vicious racialism by voting for me".

LIQUIDATION: The National Mill of Ahmedabad which was the first to close in India due to accumulation of cloth, has been ordered by the Court to take it into liquidation on the application of a creditor filed in the Joint District Judges Court for compulsory liquidation. The Textile Labour Association has joined the case as a party on behalf of the labourers of the mills for arrears of bonus.

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PLEA FOR PROMPT ACTION TO STOP EXODUS

Parliament Resumes Debate On Evacuee Property Bill

NEW DELHI, February 17. (PTI).

PARLIAMENT today resumed consideration of the Bill to provide for the administration of evacuee property. Mr. Nemi Sharan Jain (Uttar Pradesh) concluding his speech, said that it would have been better if the Bill had been referred to a select committee. Anyway, the Bill should be made "fool-proof" against dodgers he felt.

Mr. Jain appealed to the Muslims in India to cooperate with the Government and see that the legislation was implemented to the best satisfaction of the "persons for whom it is intended". He also appealed to the displaced persons to rise to the occasion" and not to oppose the Bill.

Mr. Shyamanandan Sahay (Bihar) described the Bill as a "court of wards bill" intended to take care of the property of those who had left for Pakistan. It did not refer to the rehabilitation of refugees at all. The refugees, he said, were "living martyrs of independence" and every citizen had to discharge his "debt of honour" to them. The Government of India had simply imitated, and that too half-heartedly, the Pakistan legislation on evacuee property.

A SUGGESTION

Mr. Sahay's own solution of the problem was that the Government of India should dispose of the evacuee property, estimated at Rupees six hundred crores, in India and distribute the amount among the refugees. As Indian property left behind in Pakistan was valued at Rupees two thousand crores, Pakistan would still owe India a huge amount.

He wanted Government to act on his suggestion promptly, as the value of property was going down and a period of depression was setting in.

Sardar Hukam Singh (Punjab) expressed disappointment over the Rehabilitation Minister's speech yesterday and Mr. Gopalaswami Ayyangar's speech on another occasion when Sardar Hukam Singh had moved a non-official resolution on compensation for refugees.

Government had themselves admitted that Pakistan had virtually confiscated evacuee property in Pakistan and was not collecting any rents that were due to refugees in India. In India, on the other hand, "blood is being sucked" out of the refugees, who were made to pay "the highest rents" on property belonging to those who had left for Pakistan. He did not know whether Government were trying to "deceive themselves or the refugees."

He wished to tell Government that the refugees at this stage could not be deceived. Their only hope of finding a solution of their problems lay in the present Bill and hence it should be enacted properly. If Mr. Ayyangar still had hopes of a settlement by sitting across the table," God help him."

MR. MAHVIR TYAGI: Do you want to sit in trenches? (laughter).

SARDAR HUKAM SINGH: After seeing the results of these Inter-Dominion conferences, certainly I do.

"LIBERAL POLICIES"

Sardar Hukam Singh said that while Pakistan had been following a consistent policy of "grabbing" as much property of non-Muslims as possible, the Government of India were pursuing more and more liberal policies. Both Governments were pursuing policies which were "detrimental" to the interests of refugees in India. He was afraid that the Bill before the House would increase litigation to such an extent that "nothing will be saved for the refugees out of the income on evacuee property in India."

REFUGEES 'ANGRY'

Lala Achint Ram (Punjab) wanted Mr. Mohanlal Saksena to resign if he was not allowed to take quick and independent decisions. The refugees today, he said, were angry because of the "vacillating" policy adopted by the Government for the last two and half years.

Referring to the situation in East Bengal, Lala Achint Ram said that unless the exodus of refugees from there was stopped, there would be chaos in the country. The non-Muslims in East Bengal should be allowed by Pakistan to live peacefully. If this was not found possible, followers of Mahatma Gandhi and Pandit Nehru should go there and replace those who were coming out, or there should be an exchange of population. If every alternative failed, India should resort to "police action" as she did in Hyderabad, cut up East Bengal into two and rehabilitate the Hindus of East Bengal in one part.

He asked why India continued to supply electricity and water to West Punjab in spite of the fact that Pakistan had broken many Inter-Dominion agreements and when they themselves in the Punjab were short of both electricity and water.

Master Nand Lal (Punjab) criticised the Government for the "leniency" shown to Muslims in sending money to their dependents in Pakistan and in transferring funds for trade purposes.

He said that only the supporters of the Muslim League would benefit by the proposed legislation.

Referring to the Government's rehabilitation plans, Master Nand Lal said that the Rehabilitation Department was a temporary establishment and it was "not in the interest of those who were in charge of it to rehabilitate the refugees soon."

The only way of rehabilitating refugees, said Master Nand Lal, was that they should go back and occupy their original homes in Pakistan. Although opposed to war, he considered it "unavoidable as Pakistan is bound to attack India on the issue of Kashmir.' After that the displaced persons would be able to go back.

He wished to make it clear that the refugees were not beggars. If the Government failed to give them compensation they would still find their way.

'DISAPPOINTMENT'

Mr. Tribhuwan Narain Singh (U.P.) said he was "disappointed" with the speech of the Minister. He had talked of Mahatma Gandhi's principles, but must understand that the underlying principles of the Bill was "retaliation." Even if they wanted to treat the property of an evacuee as "a trust," there was no reason why they should treat the property of an intending evacuee in the same way. They had given to the Muslims equal citizenship rights. If a citizen was trying to acquire citizenship of another country and to go away there, he could not be treated on a par with other evacuees. The definition of an intending evacuee should be made more strict.

Mr. Basant Kumar Das (West Bengal) had just started speaking when the House adjourned till Monday.

M. P. GRANTED LEAVE

Parliament today granted Rev Jerome D'Souza, Indian delegate to the United Nations General Assembly, leave to be absent till June.

Rev. D'Souza in a letter, read out to Parliament by Speaker Mavlankar, said that he hoped to attend "the session of June" and thereafter.

This was incidentally the first reference made in the House to a session in June.

The Deputy Speaker Mr. Ananthasayanam Ayyangar, said in Parliament today that February 25 would be allotted for Government business and not for private members' business as announced yesterday. A suitable date in April would be fixed for private members' business, he added.

OWN YOUR 'PHONE SCHEME

'Hearty Response,' Says Krishna Prasada

MADRAS, Feb. 17 (PTI)—Mr. Krishna Prasada, Director-General of Posts and Telegraphs, stated this afternoon at a press conference that roughly Rs. 1,25,00,000 had been collected in the last nearly two months since the new scheme of "Own Your Own Phone" had been introduced.

"The response for the scheme has been hearty all over India", he said. In Madras, Rs. 6,30,000 had been collected upto Feb. 15, 315 applicants having been registered under the new scheme, each paying Rs. 2,000. Of these applicants, 146 had already been given connections, and the rest would be getting it in a month's time.

Seventy per cent of the availab. capacity, the Director General said, would be made available for subscribers under the scheme and the remainder 30 per cent for "reserved categories" like doctors and press representatives.

Posthumous Awards Of Maha Vir Chakra

NEW DELHI, Feb. 17.—For outstanding gallantry in Jammu and Kashmir State, the posthumous award of Maha Vir Chakra goes, among others, to a Jemadar from Patiala and a Naik from Almora.

Commanding a platoon in a heavily snow-covered area in May 1948 near Machhoi in the Kashmir Province, Jemadar Hardeva Singh of the First Patiala (RS) Infantry (Village Dhan Singh Khana, Tehsil Mansa, District Barnala, Patiala) showed great presence of mind when he saved his entire platoon from being annihilated by the enemy.

New Air Force Chief For Jalahalli

NEW DELHI, Feb. 17.—W/Cdr. M. M. Sakhre, of the IAF Operational Command, is to take over the Indian Air Force at Jalahali this week, it is learnt here.

Thirty-year-old Manohar Mahrodrappa Sakhre was commissioned in the General Duties (Pilots) Branch of the IAF during the early part of the last World War and served in a number of fighter squadrons on the North-West Frontier and later in Burma.

W/Cdr. K. B. R. Joshi, who has been in command of No. 1 G.T.S. since June last year, is coming to New Delhi as Staff as Staff Officer at Air HQ.

NO: Ordinary telegrams for Tibet will not be accepted on February 17, 18 and 19 which have been declared as telegraph holidays in Tibet.

No Scaling Down Of Sterling Balances

DR. MATTHAI'S ASSURANCE TO SCEPTICS

NEW DELHI, Feb. 17. (PTI).

THE statement made by the British Chancellor of Exchequer in December last in regard to scaling down of sterling balances was the subject matter of a question in Parliament today.

Replying to Mr. R. K. Sidhva, the Finance Minister, Dr. Matthai, said that he did not know if the Chancellor of the Exchequer had India in mind particularly. But as a result of the Indo-U. K. financial agreement of July 1948, payment of £ 100 million was agreed upon from number two account to United Kingdom in full and final settlement in respect of all defence stores and fixed assets left behind in India by the United Kingdom Government.

FINALLY SETTLED

All matters arising out of the defence expenditure plan, except the adjustment of certain terminal benefits, were also settled fully and finally with the payment by the United Kingdom of a sum of £ 55 million. There were, therefore, no outstanding items so far as defence stores and fixed assets taken over by India were concerned. The sterling balances in account number two of India were reduced by £ 52.29 million on account of these transactions without taking into account the further amounts due from Pakistan.

Mr. Sidhva asked whether any conference was contemplated to settle questions in regard to British assets and military stores.

The Finance Minister said that there was no outstanding matter whatsoever in this regard.

Mr. B. Das: "Has the attention of the Finance Minister been drawn to the statement of Mr. Churchill to the effect that India owned Britain several million pounds more in regard to military stores, that India was saved from Japan and that sterling balances should be reduced? Has the Government made any emphatic protest to United Kingdom Government?"

Dr. John Matthai: The statement was made by Mr. Churchill first during the devaluation debate in the House of Commons. My views in regard to the statement were stated on the floor of the House. Mr. Churchil holds no official position in the United Kingdom and I am not called upon to reply.

The Finance Minister added that the Government of India had expressed its views on the subject in unmistakable terms.

The Deputy Prime Minister Sardar Patel in reply to Sardar Bhopinder Singh Man said on the question of formation of a popular ministry in Patiala and East Punjab States Union, that whenever political parties there had come to a common agreement, the Government would reopen the issue.

Mr. Thirumal Rao: "Has the attention of the Deputy Prime Minister been drawn to the news that local Akalis propose to launch direct action?

SARDAR PATEL: "Akali organisation gives threat every other day."

REPATRIATED PRISONERS

Sardar Patel in reply to another question on the release of repatriated prisoners from Pakistan stated that all the undertrial prisoners repatriated from areas in West Pakistan other than the West Punjab had been released. As regards the undertrial prisoners repatriated from the West Punjab, the Government of Punjab who were concerned with them had reported that on January 15, 1950, there were five such prisoners in their jails, out of whom four were accused of murder and one of abduction and rape.

B. C. G. VACCINATION

Programme To Be Expanded

The Health Minister, Rajkumari Amrit Kaur said that the Government of India intended to expand the B.C.G. programme as much as possible. The government had sent a doctor and a technician to Denmark for training in the manufacture of this particular vaccine.

The Government of India had so far received no complaint from students or from their guardians regarding the infringement of Article 28 of the constitution banning religious education in schools.

Disclosing this in Parliament today, Mr. Khurshed Lal (Deputy Minister) replying on behalf of Education Minister said that the Government would, however, bring this Article specifically to the notice of all State and State aided schools in the Centrally administered areas.

The University Commission, however, recommended that the Visva Bharati, Santiniketan and the Jamia Millia at Delhi would be given provisional charters as universities and be given suitable capital and recurring grants.

FOREIGN SCHOLARSHIPS

Mr. Khurshed Lal said in Parliament that the Government of India had decided to abandon the scholarship scheme for studies in foreign countries and would not send students in 1950-51. They might send some men already in employment for further technical studies. None would be selected on the basis of scheduled caste or tribe for higher studies in foreign countries and the only consideration would be that the person could take advantage of the facilities of technical education in foreign countries.

ESSENTIAL: Employment in the Shree Sayaji General Hospital, the Jamunabai Dispensary and the Shri Padmavati T. B. Sanatorium, all the three being Government medical institutions at Baroda, has been declared by the Government of Bombay as essential for the purpose of maintaining supplies or services essential to the life of the community.

Notorious Law Breakers Shot

HYDERABAD (Dn.), Feb. 17. (PTI): The police shot dead on Sunday night three "notorious law breakers" in their hideout—a cave on the Durach-Palli Hills in Suryapet taluq of Nalgonda district, according to information received here.

It is stated that the three men—Tonta Narsiah, Kolla Nandiah and Puttayya—were killed while they attempted to escape from the hideout. They were alleged to have been responsible for eleven murders, eight in Munagala enclave, two in Chandupatla village and another—that of a village official—at Gumpul.

The police recovered a rifle, a revolver and several rounds of ammunition from the cave

"SOLIDARITY DAY": The All-India Trade Union Congress will observe February 21, as the "International Solidarity Day" jointly with the All-India Students' Federation.

IMPROVEMENT OF CATTLE BREEDS

Government Propose 625 Centres

LUCKNOW, Feb 17. (UPI). The Government of India, in conjunction with the various States Governments propose to establish 625 centres in the country for improvement of breeds of cattle by various methods, announced Sardar Datar Singh, leader of the Indian Delegation and Chairman of the Conference, winding up today's discussion at the International Conference on Livestock Breeding held here under the auspices of the United Nations Food and Agriculture Organisation.

The Conference today heard a report on the progress and present position regarding the production of livestock in India by Mr P N Nanda of the Indian Delegation. There are 136 million cattle, 40 million buffaloes) 373 million sheep and 46 million goats in India in addition to other animals numbering over 3 million.

Dealing with bovines first, Mr. Nanda said that there were about 30 recognised types or breeds of cattle and six types or breeds of buffaloes. A larger percentage, however, did not conform to any definite characteristics and were generally treated as non-descripts.

MARKETS: It is understood that most of the Indian exporters of cotton piecegoods to Australia have got contacts only with business houses in Sydney and Melbourne, writes the Dy. Chief Controller of Exports. As Queensland is also reported to have a good market for Indian textiles, it will be advisable for exporters to have direct contacts with business houses in Queensland also in order that they may be able to satisfy that market.

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BLAME ON PILOT FOR K. L. M. PLANE CRASH

Khurshed Lal Defends Enquiry Body's Report

NEW DELHI, Feb. 17 (PTI).

MR. KHURSHED LAL, Deputy Minister of Communications, said in Parliament today there could be of no question that the Enquiry Committee rightly came to the conclusion that the pilot was primarily to be blamed for the KLM plane crash at Santa Cruz, Bombay, on July 12, 1949.

One could well understand, he added, "the anxiety of the KLM, which is after all a commercial company, to get out of certain responsibilities which are cast on them by this report."

Mr. Khurshed Lal said that both the report as well as its summary released for publication had the approval of the Director-General of Civil Aviation in Holland and "they agree with everything that is stated there."

Mr. Khurshed Lal made this statement when under the new procedure Mr. H. V. Kamath raised discussion on the report of the Committee.

Mr. Kamath said that the Minister, in reply to a question on February 2 as to whether the last page of the radio log book of the aircraft was missing and whether a spokesman of the KLM had thought there was no error of judgment by the pilot and that there was wrong direction from the Air-Traffic Control, had said that the report had not mentioned this fact.

The report had mentioned, Mr. Kamath said, that the missing of the last page had made it impossible to check up with entries in the log book of the Air-Traffic Control and Approach Control.

Mr. Kamath said the cloud was known to be lower than 800 feet. The climbing up to 800 feet would have put the aircraft into the clouds again and the best course would have been for the aircraft to turn to sea. The question that arose was whether the Air-Traffic Control and the Approach Control were blameless for the accident. The Committee appointed by the Government had not held the Air-Traffic Control and the Approach Control as free from blame. While the Committee had felt that the pilot had committed an error of judgment, the Chief of the KLM Operations had, in an interview, said that the KLM did not accept any suggestion that there was an error of judgment on the part of the pilot.

Mr. Kamath said that in accepting the findings of this Commitfee, the Government had held or proposed to hold an enquiry into "this carelessness or negligence of remissness" of those who were in charge of the Approach Control and the Air-Traffic Control at Santa Cruz airport.

There were two points that arose, firstly, about the advice from the Air-Traffic Control to land on runway twenty-three and the lack of advice to the aircraft to hold on until the weather improved or divert it to some other airport, and second the incorrect advice from the Approach Control to climb up to 800 feet, if such advice was in fact given.

It was regrettable that the last page in the log book was missing but he would like to know whether the Government would hold an enquiry as to whether the last page was tampered with by anybody so as to conceal any evidence.

Mr. Joachim Alva wanted to know whether the Government had carried out the recommendations of the Committee.

Mr. Khurshed Lal said that Mr. Kamath had referred to the remarks of the Chief Officer of the KLM. "I would only draw the attention of the House," he said, "to the fact that this report was prepared in consultation with the Director of Civil Aviation in Holland and the report as well as its summary released for publication had the full concurrence of the Director-General of Civil Aviation in Holland."

"I should have thought," said Mr. Khurshed Lal, "that Mr. Kamath would understand the anxiety of the KLM, which is after all a commercial company, to get out of certain responsibilities which are cast on them by this report. My submission is that after the concurrence of the D.G.C.A. in Holland, there can be no question that the Committee rightly came to the conclusion that the pilot was primarily to be blamed for this accident."

It was unfortunate, he said, that the pilot was not there to defend himself but the facts were there. Much was sought to be made of the missing page in the log book. It must be remembered that this log book was in an aeroplane which was involved in a fatal accident. The pages of the log book were scattered all over and they were collected and pasted together after the accident. They had to be cleaned to make them readable. In this condition the last page could not be traced. The last page must have been the page which the radio officer was using at the time of the accident.

What had happened in the engine room no one knew but he did want to dispel the suspicion that "there is any hanky-panky about the loss of this page."

TATA STEEL SHARES DECLINE AFTER OPENING FIRMNESS

Increased Liquidation In Textile Issues

BOMBAY, Feb. 17.

The Bombay Stock Exchange was again quietly steady with restricted business. Traders are inclined to await Budget proposals and outside participation has fallen off.

Tata Steel Defd. Shares opened at Rs. 1652/8 and declined at Rs. 1647 under scattered liquidation. Ordinary shares opened at Rs. 328 and declined at Rs 326.

In the textile section business was slow and Bombay Dyeings were quoted at Rs. 1090, Kohinoors continue in good demand at Rs. 310, while Swadeshi Mill shares were done at Rs. 271. Scindias were quoted at Rs. 13/6 and Bombay Burmas were placed at Rs. 357.

Later on there was moderate liquidation being the last day for fortnightly settlement. Tata Steel Defds declined at Rs. 1637/8 and Ordinary shares were quoted at Rs. 325, Bombay Dyeings declined at Rs. 1082/8 and Kohinoors were quoted at Rs. 307. The carry over charge for Tata Steel Defd shares was about Rs. 3/12. Closing tone of the market was quiet. It appears that open business in the market is reduced considerably as there is more desire to keep even accounts over the Central Budget.

FORWARD SECTION

MILL SHARES		
Bombay Dyeing (10-8)	1081	4
Kohinoor Mills (4-2)	308	0
Svadesai Mill (12-4)	269	0
Central India Mills (6)	244	0
Simplex Mills (9-8)	193	0
New Great Eastern (9)	159	0
Indore	110	0
Gokak Mills (12)	271	0
Century Spinning (15)	235	0
Swan Mills (30)	314	0
Indian Bleaching (6)	148	0
Finlay Mills (15)	267	0
Morarji Goculdas (S)	142	8
Edward Sassoon (30)	225	0
Mayer (12)	103	12
Apollo Mills (As. 4)	2	14
India United Ord. (0-12-0)	12	2
India United Defd. (0-12-0)	1	15
Madhusudan (15)	180	0
Podar (S)	131	4
Khatau Makanji (5)	180	0
Swadeshi Coupon	68	0
STEEL SHARES		
Tata Steel Ord. (14)	323	0
Tata Steel Defd. (64-12)	1630	0
Tata Steel 2nd Pref.	136	0
CEMENT		
Associated Cement (7) XD	146	0
INDUSTRIES		
Burma (12-8) XD	353	12
Belapur Sugar (9)	218	0
Shivrajpur Syndicate (1-8)	30	8
Scindia Steam (0-8)	13	5
Premier Construction	91	8
Tata Chemical	11	3
Tata Old (2)	50	8
Indian Iron (1) XD	31	5
Bengal Steel (0-12)	22	4
Bengal India Corp. (9-9)	9	2
Indian Copper	2	6
Wimco	208	12
Alcock	277	8
ELECTRIC SHARES		
Tata Power (25)	1530	0
Tata Hydro (3)	152	0
Andhra Valley (25)	1430	0

CASH SECTION

COTTON MILLS		
Elphinstone Mills (5)	60	8
Phoenix (50)	152	8
Indian Mfg. (10)	1950	0
Kurla XD	118	12
Colaba (12)	120	0
New City (11)	186	4
Minerva (12)	135	0
Bradbury (12)	420	0
Bharucha Defd. (0-4)	5	0
Bharat Mills (2)	32	8
Mysore (4)	166	4
Madhavji	14	6
Model Mills (12-8)	167	8
Lakshmi Cotton (25)	652	8
Vishnu Cotton (8)	216	4
Western India (40)	2925	0
Standard (15)	227	0
Sholapur (200)	3150	0
Sassoon Cotton Mills (0-8)	16	0
Hindustan Mills (40)	4000	0
Tata Mills (2-4)	57	8
New Victoria 2 (Pref.)	6	0
Palton (9)	110	0
Gold Mohor	902	0
New Kaiser Hind	325	0
Ahmedabad Advance (1)	240	0
New Ahmedabad	198	0
Sassoon Silk (3) XD	33	0
New Union Mills (0-8)	15	10
Madhusudan S (2-5)	85	0
Shriniva Mills (S)	173	12
Raja Bahadur (4)	62	0
Berar Mills	250	0
Victoria Mills	225	0
ELECTRIC (CASH)		
Ahmedabad Electric (1-8)	130	0
Ahmedabad New	75	0
Surat Electric	131	4
Karachi Electric (2)	138	10
Broach (0-5)	6	12
Ajmer Electricity (0-8)	10	0
Amalgamated (0-2)	11	1
Nagpur Electricity (1-12)	28	8
Poona Electricity Supply (S)	140	10
Bombay Suburban (3)	151	4
Bombay Suburban New	120	0
BANK SHARES		
Imperial Bank of India XD	1747	8
Imperial Bank P (0-12) XD	436	4
Central Bank (1-8)	84	0
Central Bank New (1-8)	84	8
Bank of India (4)	179	0
Union (0-3)	7	8
Baroda (2-8)	122	4
Devkaran Nanjee Bank (1-8)	37	8
United Commercial (1-8)	45	8
Jaipur Bank (1-8)	35	4
Hindustan Commercial	17	1
Mysore Bank (8)	305	0
Eastern Bank (0-14-8)	54	0
INSURANCE SHARES		
Oriental (125)	4690	0
Empire (10)	671	4
New India (1-7)	59	0
Jupiter (0-12)	12	15
Vulcan (0-10)	13	0
Indian Mercantile (0-4)	11	4
B I G (1)	15	0
Industrial and Prudential	26	4
Neptune	7	0
New Great	25	0
All India General	12	12
RAILWAY SHARES		
G.P. (1-14) XD	118	0
MISCELLANEOUS SHARES		
Steamer (103)	242	8
Bombay Burma New (5) XD	118	12
Burma Petrol	1	4 6
Mackenzie (6)	90	0
Port Canning (3)	57	0
Kemp and Co. (20)	325	0
Zandu Pharmacy (7)	125	0
Industrial Invest Trust (5-12)	84	8
Dharamsey Chemical (2)	41	4
Mukund Iron	13	0
Dena Trust (0-12)	14	0
Alembic (15)	147	8
Supreme Industries	72	8
Bombay Uganda	87	8
Bombay Motor Cycle	18	0
Indian Cement (1937)	171	4
Walchand Nagar Industries (B. S.)	140	0
United Motor	28	0
Bombay Safe Deposit (27)	880	0
Hydary Construction	19	10
Mahamadi Steam	20	0
Sardar Carbonic XD	200	0
Harvey Press	310	0
Gujarat Motor	26	14
Estrella Batteries	30	4
Manmad Press	120	0
National Rayon	55	4
PREFERENCE SHARES		
Tata Steel 1st (6)	197	8
Andhra Valley (7)	1232	8
Tata Power (7-8)	1340	0
Hydro Electric (7)	126	4
Bombay Steamer (6)	126	14
Central India (5)	653	12
Swedish Mills	130	0
Vishnu Mills (7)	270	0
New Great Mills (5-8)	220	4
Podar Mills (4)	95	0
Shrinicas Mills	98	0
Elphinstone Mills ((7)	100	4
Bradbury Mills (7-8)	916	0
Surat Electricity (3-4)	130	0
Pre. Construction First	100	8
Pre. Construction 2nd Pref.	98	8
Amalgamated	115	0
Habib	72	9
Tata Chemical	122	8
Walchandnagar	130	0
Jupiter	13	4
Supreme	100	0
Meyer	102	8
Mackenzie (2)	80	0
Ahmedabad Advance	127	8
Mysore Mill	50	8
Standard	99	0
Madhusuran	12	0
Khatau	98	8
Morarji	94	8
National Rayon	74	0
DEBENTURES		
Andhra 1952	103	8
Gula Kajamsingh	8	9
Rubber Planting	17	0
Bombay Steamer	97	0
Indian Hume Pipe	101	0
Tata Power 1951	103	0
Walchandnagar	105	0
OUTSIDE SHARES		
Burma Corporation	2	12
New Victoria	2	2
New Victoria Pref.	4	4
Fhalton	118	0
Gold Mohor	302	8
New Kaiser-i-Hind	325	0
Sajjan	155	0
Osmanshahi	250	0
Ajam Shahi	280	0
Air Services	4	12
Air India	65	0
Hind Motors	5	2
India Steam	7	8

GOLD AND SILVER

BOMBAY, Friday.

There was a further drop in bullion prices today on unloading by professional bull operators. Calcutta advices were lower.

At the opening Fagan delivery silver was quoted at Rs. 181 and improved at Rs. 181-10 under scattered short covering. At this level there was renewed liquidation and the market declined at Rs. 180-14 and steadied at Rs. 181. Ready silver was offered at Rs. 180-10. Fagan gold opened at Rs. 115 and after declining at Rs. 114-12 steadied at Rs. 115-2. Ready gold was quoted at Rs. 115-2 and Sovereigns were quoted at Rs. 75-8. Recently there had been increased selling of Nizam State coins and the demand remains poor.

Thereafter there was heavy selling on rumours of import licences and lower upcountry advices. Silver declined at Rs. 179/- and Gold was quoted at Rs. 114/9. At this level there appeared bull support and short covering and Silver improved at Rs. 181/8. Final quotations were as under:—

Ready Silver	180	12	0
Forward	181	4	0
Ready Gold	115	4	0
Forward	115	8	0

PRODUCE MARKET

BOMBAY, Feb. 17.

The local produce market was easy today with increased selling. The ban on export of linseed is inducing liquidation. Kardi was quoted at Rs. 25 while Khussum was quoted at Rs. 32 and Madras at Rs. 33. Quotations were as under:—

	Rs.	as.	p.
GROUNDNUTS			
Quality	42	0	0
Bold	41	0	0
Coromandal	41	8	0
Oil Bombay Mills	23	0	0
Oil Upcountry Mills	22	4	0
Oil February	22	6	0
LINSEED			
Bold	38	8	0
Small Seed	37	12	0
February-March	37	12	0
March-April	36	10	0
April-May	35	10	0
Oil	22	2	0
CASTORSEEDS			
Ready	28	4	0
Madras February	28	8	0
Madras March	28	10	0

GOVERNMENT LOANS

BOMBAY, Feb. 17.

2 1/2 per cent 1956	98	14	0
2 1/2 per cent 1950	100	2	0
2 1/2 per cent 1955	99	14	0
2 1/2 per cent 1961	96	11	0
2 1/2 per cent 1960	99	8	0
2 3/4 per cent 1962	99	2	0
2 3/4 per cent 1973	95	12	0
3 per cent Con.	97	0	0
3 per cent 1951-54	100	5	0
3 per cent 1952-55	101	11	0
3 per cent 1957	101	10	0
3 per cent 1950-51 C	100	2	0
3 per cent 1963-65	100	4	0
3 per cent 1966-68	100	3	0
3 per cent 1970-75	100	0	0
2 1/2 per cent 1954-59	104	6	0
3 1/2 per cent 1960-70	110	2	0
4 1/2 per cent 1950-55	101	6	0
4 1/2 per cent 1958-60	110	6	0
4 1/2 per cent 1953-66	112	14	0
PROVINCIAL LOANS			
3 per cent Bombay 1962	99	3	0
2 3/4 per cent C. P. 1961	97	2	0
2 3/4 per cent Madras 1981	97	2	0
3 per cent Bombay 1955	100	8	4
3 per cent Bombay 1958	100	4	0
3 per cent Punjab 1952	99	0	0
3 per cent Madras 1952-53	100	8	0
3 per cent C P 1952	100	6	0
3 per cent U. P. 1952	100	6	0
3 per cent N.W.P 1952	98	2	0
3 per cent U. P. 1901-68	99	8	0
3 1/4 per cent Municipal 1977	98	12	0
4 per cent B.P.T. long dated	109	12	0
4 per cent Bombay Muni.	109	12	0
5 p.c. Bombay Muni 1959	114	0	0
6 per cent Bom. Municipality 1954	113	8	0
6 per cent K. P. T. 1950	113	0	0

INDIAN STOCK EXCHANGE

BOMBAY, February 17.

Tata Ordinary 323; Tata Deferred 1630; Indian Iron 31-5; Steel Corpn. of Bengal 22-4; Bombay Dyeing 1081-4; Central India 244-6; Gokak 271-4; Kohinoor 308-12; Simplex 193; Swadeshi 269-6; Tata Power 1530; Associated Cement 146-4; Belapur 218-12; Bombay Burma (Old) 353-12; Scindia 13-5; Central Bank 84; New India 59; Tata 2nd Pref. 136.

Record Of Actual Transactions In Shares

BOMBAY, Feb. 17.

MILLS

Apollo 2/14
B. Dyeing 1095 98/12 87/8 91/4 81/4
C. India 246 46/8 44
Century 233/12 35
Colaba 110 9/6 20
Elphinstone Ord. 61
Finlay 268 67
Gokak 274 72 74 71
I.U. Defd 1/15
I.U. Ord 12/3 12/2
Indore 112/8 10
Kohinoor 310 11 7/8 8
Laxmi 652/8
Meyer 101/4 3/12
Model 166/4
Morarji 142/8
New City 186/4
New Great 159
Podar 130 31/4
Shrinivas 173/12
Simplex 194 95 93
Svadeshi 273 69
Swan 314
Tata Mills 57/8
Vishnu 216/4

SHIPPING

Scindia 13/8 13/5

BANKS

Baroda 122 22/4
Central 84/4 84/8 84
Central New 84/12 84/8
Imperial Old 1752/8 47/8
Imperial New 437/8 36/4
India 179
Union 7/8
U. Commercial 45/8

ELECTRICS

Ahmedabad 128/12, 30.
Andhra 1430, 27/8, 30.
Suburban 151/4.
Surat 131/4.
Hydro 152.
Power 1525, 27/8, 21/4.

INSURANCE

New India 59/4, 59.
Vulcan 13/3.

STEELS

B. Steel 22/6, 22/5, 22/7, 22/4.
I. Iron 31/5, 31/4, 31/7, 31/4, 31/5.
Tata Defd. 1651/4, 58/12, 42/8, 46/4, 27/8, 30.
Tata Ord. 328, 28/8, 25/12, 26/8. 23.
Tata Ist Pref. 197/8.
Tata IInd Pref. 137/8, 36.

MISCELLANEOUS

Alcock 280, 77/8.
A. C. C. 146/12, 45/12, 46.
Belapur 223, 18, 20, 17, 18.
B. B. Old 362/8, 58/12.
B. B. New 118/12.
B. B. Petrol 1/5, 1/4/3.
B. I. C. 9/2.
I. Bleaching 148.
I. Copper 2/6/6, 2/6.
Kemp 325.
P. Const. 93/12, 90/8, 91/8.
Shivrajpur 30/8.
Tata Chem. 11/4, 11/3.
Tata Oil 51, 50/4, 50/8.
Vimco 210, 8/12.

SPECIAL

Ahmedabad Elec. New 75.
Khatau Pref. 97/8, 98/8.
National Rayon Ord. 55/4.

MONEY MARKET

BOMBAY, Feb. 17.

B. C. Rates T. T. D. D. 1/5 15/16 Ready
B. C. Rates T. T. D. D. 1/5 29/32 up to 6 Months
London Banks Selling T. T. D. D. 1/5 31/32 Ready.
London Banks Selling T. T. D. D. 1/5 15/16 upto 6 Months.
London Banks Buying T. T. 1/6 1/32 to 9th Month.
London Banks Buying T. T. 1/6 1/16 10th-12th Month.
London Banks Buying D. D. 1/6 1/16 to 4th Month.
London Banks Buying D. D. 1/6 3/32 5th and 6th Month.
London Banks Buying D. D. 1/6 1/8 7th—9th Month.
London Banks Buying 60 and 90 d/st. 1/6 1/8 to 4th Month
London Banks Buying 60 and 90 d/st. 1/6 5/32 5th and 6th Month.
London Banks Buying 60 and 90 d/st 1/6 3/16 7th—9th Month.
London Banks Buying 120 d/st. 1/6 5/32 to 4th Month.
London Banks Buying 120 d/st 1/6 3/16 5th and 6th Month.
London Banks Buying 120 d/st 1/6 7/32 7th—9th Month.
New York B. C. Rate T. T. Rs. 478 1/4, Montreal Rs. 425.
Banks Selling T. T. D. D. Rs 478 1/4. Montreal Rs. 435.
Banks Buying T. T. Rs. 475 Montreal Rs 431 3/4.
Banks Buying D. D. Rs. 472 1/2 Montreal Rs. 429 3/4.
Banks Buying D. D. Rs. 473 3/4 L/C., Montreal Rs. 430 1/2.
Paris Banks Selling T. T. Fcs. 7250.
Paris Banks Buying T. T. Fcs. 7500.
Amsterdam Banks Selling T. T. D. D. Fl. 79
Switzerland Banks Selling T. T. D. D. Fcs. 90 1/4.
Belgium Banks Selling T. T. D. D. Fcs. 1033
Java Banks Selling T. T. D. D. Glds. 79.
Hongkong Banks Selling T. T. D. D. Rs. 83 1/2.
Singapore Banks Selling T. T. D. D. Rs. 156 3/4.
Manila Banks Selling T. T. D. D. Rs. 238 3/4.

New York/London Cross Rate dol. 2.79 7/8 to 2.80 1/8 London/Afghanistan Cross Rate Afghani Rs. not quoted. London/Alexandria Cross Rate Pia. 97 1/4-3/4. London/Amsterdam Cross Rate Fl. 10.63-65. London/Bangkok Cross Rate Tcl. 35. London/Belgium Cross Rate Fcs. 139.90-140.10. London/Denmark Cross Rate Kr. 19.32-36. London/Hongkong Cross Rate 1/2 27/32- 1/2 15/16 London/Iran Cross Rate Rl. 89.40-91.00 London/Java Cross Rate Fl. 10-63-65. London/Karachi Cross Rate Rs. 2/1-84-2/1.94. London/Lisbon Cross Rate Es. 80.35 London/Manila Cross Rate Pes. 5.60-5.65 London/Montreal Cross Rate dol. 3.07-3/4-3.08 1/4. London/New York Cross Rate dol. 2.79 7/8-2.80 1/8. London Oslo Cross Rate Kr. 19.98-20.02. London/Paris Cross Rate Fcs 979-981 London/Prague Cross Rate K. 141 London/Singapore Cross Rate 2/4 1/32 2/4 5/32. London/Stockholm Cross Rate Kr. 14.47-50. London/Switzerland Cross Rate Fcs 12.23-12 26

London discts. 3 Mos. 5/8 p.c.
London Discts. 6 Mos. 3/4 p.c.
Reserve Bank Rate 3 per cent.
Bank of England Rate 2 per cent.
Money: Call 3/4 per cent, 3 Mos. 1 per cent, 6 Mos. 1-1/4 per cent, 12 Mos. 1½ per cent.
Tone: Steady.

PAKISTAN STATE BANK

(From Our Correspondent).

KARACHI, (By Air Mail).

Following is the Statement of Account of the State Bank of Pakistan for the week ending February 3, 1950:—

ISSUE DEPARTMENT

LIABILITIES: Notes held in the Banking Department Rs. 3,40,23,000; Notes in circulation Rs. 175,59,60,000; Total notes issued Rs. 178,99,83,000.

Total Liabilities Rs. 178,99,83,000.

ASSETS: I. A. Gold Coin and Bullion Rs. 4,20,71,000; Silver Bullion Nil; Sterling Securities Rs. 62,53,43,000; Government of India Securities Rs. 31,63,58,000; India notes representing assets receivable from the Reserve Bank of India Rs. 43,17,04,000; Rs. 141,54,76,000.

B. Rupee Coin Rs. 5,07,74,000; Government of Pakistan Securities Rs. 26,47,33,000; Internal bills of exchange and other commercial paper Rs. 31,55,07,000.

II. Held with the Reserve Bank of India pending transfer to Pakistan:—Gold Coin and Bullion Rs. 19,02,000; Sterling Securities Rs. 3,87,77,000; Government of India Securities Rs. 1,53,71,000; Rupee Coin Rs. 29,50,000; Rs. 5,90,00,000.

Total Assets Rs. 178,99,83,000.

Ratio Gold Coin and Bullion, Silver Bullion, Sterling Securities and approved Foreign Exchange to total note circulation: 82.21 per cent.

Note:—India Securities, etc., have been shown at their previous value pending formal notification of exchange rates.

BANKING DEPARTMENT

Following is a Statement of Affairs of the State Bank of Pakistan, as on the 3rd February, 1950:

LIABILITIES: Capital paid up Rs. 3,00,00,000; Reserve Fund Rs. 3,00,00,000; Deposits:—(a) Central Government Rs. 49,87,16,000; (b) Provincial Governments Rs. 5,61,29,000; (c) Bank Rs. 18,06,14,000; (d) Others Rs. 4,01,44,000; Bills Payable Rs 1,72,000; Other Liabilities Rs. 3,72,86,000.

Total Rs. 87,30,61,000.

ASSETS: Notes Rs. 3,40,23,000; Rupee Coin,—(a) Pakistan Rs 5,000; (b) India Nil.

Subsidiary Coin:—(a) Pakistan Nil; (b) India Rs. 1,63,000.

Bills Purchased and Discounted:—(a) Internal Nil; (b) External Nil; (c) Government Treasury Bills Rs. 10,48,24,000.

*Balances held outside Pakistan Rs 40,96,92,000; Loans and Advances to Governments Rs. 42,00,000; Other Loans and Advances Rs. 98,82,000; Investments Rs. 27,72,41,000; Other Assets Rs 3,30,31,000.

Total Rs. 87,30,61,000

*Includes Cash, Short Term Securities and Balances with the Reserve Bank of India.

WOOL PRICES DECLINE

BOMBAY, Feb. 17.

M/s. J. Hardacre & Co. have issued the following report:

BRADFORD

As was expected the market has firmed up at the new levels and any tendency is again against the buyer. The market is dominated by the delivery position and a premium is necessary for early deliveries. On the whole prices are about 9 d. per lb. down on the previous weeks quotations for Merino tops but in crossbreds prices vary considerably from comber to comber. The average rate prevailing over the past few days for a 48's carded top is round about 59d. ex-mill, Bradford.

LONDON WOOL SALES

On reports of lower levels from the primary market prices declined about 5% on Friday from the rates ruling the previous day. The biggest decline took place in the shorter and inferior grades which are now at about the December 1949.

SYDNEY

10 to 15% down on prices ruling at the end of January. J. O. Stocks were offered, mostly carbonising sorts.

NEWCASTLE

Good bidding with brisk competition and a total clearance at the new levels. Merinos 5% down on last Sydney sales with Crossbreds 5 to 10% down.

WELLINGTON

Prices again show a further decline of 5% on the previous week's sales at Wanganui. Mostly Continental buying in evidence with little or no support from Bradford.

JAPANESE INDUSTRY

From reports of plans made for the import of 300,000 bales of wool by Japan during the current fiscal year it is estimated that the Japanese mills will be able to work approximately 65% of total capacity. These imports would represent about 50 per cent of her pre-war annual imports of wool. The bogey of Japanese competition is again raised by reports from South Africa that Japanese wool goods are being offered there at prices 50% below British Manufacturer's prices.

J. O. STOCKS

The J. O. held 1,150,000 bales of wool on December 31st 1949, made up of 875,000 bales of Australian, 256,000 bales of New Zealand and 19,000 bales of South African wools.

Calcutta Share Bazar Steady

CALCUTTA, February 17 (P.T./):

The market ruled steady and active for the speculative counters while other stocks remained more or less unchanged. Following are today's final transactions upto 1-45 p.m.:—

GOVT. SECURITIES: Three per cent Government paper 97/1 S. lots. Three per cent loan 1986 97/2. Three per cent loan 1957 101/8 S. lot. Three per cent loan 1951/54 101/3 S. lot. Three per cent loan 1959/61 100/14 S. lot. Three per cent loan 1953/55 101/9. Three per cent loan 1970/75 99/14.

BANKS: Bengal Central 7/3.

COTTONS: Kesoram 16/5. New Victoria 2/1.

COALS: Central India 4/12. Churulia 5/2. Katras Jherriah 30/5. New Beerbhoom 14/14. Western Bengal 4/12. South Karanpura 27/2.

JUTES: Anglo India 197. Auckland 112. Howrah 27/4. Nuddea 67. Reliance 19/8.

ENGINEERINGS: Indian Iron 31/7. National Iron 4/10. Kumardhubi Eng. 7/15. Marshalls 7. Steel Corp. 22/8.

MISCELLANEOUS: Burma Corp. 2/12. Consolidated tin annas twelve Indian Copper 2/7. Tavoy tin annas nine Assam Bengal Cement 6/12. Sone Valley Cement 6/10. Angelo Bros. 27. Barajee Coke 20/12. F. and C. Osler 5/15. Indian Cables 50. Indian National Airways 3/3. Indian Rubber Mnfg. 13/14. Jardine Henderson 132. National Tobacco 16/4. British Burma Petrol 1/4. Shree Gopal Paper 11. Assam Saws 8/9. India Steamship 7/8.

SUGARS: Carew and Co. 8/4. Raza 15/8.

TEAS: Basmatia 26. Bishnauth 34/8. Dibrugarh 11. Eastern Cachar 3/8. Hantapara 179 Ct. New Samanbagh 12 Ct.

Madras Share Quiet

MADRAS, Feb. 17.

The local market turned quiet today with sellers for some textile scrips. Laxmis and Ranga Vilas lost ground with profit taking.

Even Buckinghams were on offer at Rs. 150.

In the plantings group Midlands showed some improvement at Rs. 5/10.

Banks shares in general were slightly easier with sellers predominating.

In the insurance group also both United India and Vanguard Lire were on offer.

In the miscellaneous section Mysore papers were on request at Rs. 11/2 while Spencers were on offer. The market closed quiet.

Following are todays quotations:—three per cent paper 96/15, do. three per cent. 1986 96/15 Do. 1970/75 100, Government of Travancore Loan three per cent 1952/54 101/4. Government of Madras Loan three per cent 1960 100/4

BANKS: Travancore 14/12.

PLANTINGS: Balmadies 2, Chembra 5/3, Cochin Malabar 4/12, Devashola 13/12, Midlands 5/10, Neilliampathy 1/2/6 Ouchteriony 6/7, Pullangode 1/4, Thirumbadi 2/2, T R and T Co. 5/14, Vaikundam 7/4.

TEXTILES: Bangalore woollen 242/8, Buckingham 150, Do Pref. 186, Cambodia 11/14, Coimbatore cm 134, Pioneer 119/8, Lakshmi 68, Madura 39/13, Mettur 322/8, Radhakrishna 162, Rajalakshmi 68, Ranga Vilas 50, Trav Rayons 4/5, Trichinopoly 10, Vasanta 106.

MISCELLANEOUS: Andhra Cement 70, F A C T 5/- India Cement 18, Mettur Chem 6, Mysore Chem Fert 9/2.

SCATTERED LIQUIDATION IN N. Y. COTTON MARKET

Wall Street Presents Heavy Tone

NEW YORK, Feb. 16. (PTI-Reuter): The early declines on increased hedges and profit-taking disclosed less aggressive demand from mill and export interests. Later prices rallied on trade buying and short covering in old crops attracted by the decline, but the upturn met renewed selling possibly in sympathy with the easiness of securities Attracting considerable attention and causing some hesitancy was the report that the Commodity Credit Corporation New Orlean's office will open bids on its 1948 loan holdings tomorrow.

After some irregularity the market rallied on routine trade demand centred principally on near may absorbing scattered liquidation and hedging. Meanwhile traders continued to await developments in connection with Commodity Credit Corporation sales of 1948 loan stocks and the pending cotton acreage legislation. The session closed steady with sales placed approximately at 190,000 bales.

NEW YORK COTTON

NEW YORK, Feb. 16

March	32.07—09
May	32.22—04
July	31.68—08
October	29.47—15
Middling Spot	32.97—14

NEW ORLEANS COTTON

March	31.71—12
May	31.95—08
July	31.47—16
October	29.36—12
Middling Spot	31.90—10

New York Cotton March Highest 32.15 at 11-17 hours. Lowest 32.01 at 14-50 hours.

WALL STREET MARKET

STOCKS: The signal for renewed pressure was given this morning with the lack of progress in the coal negotiations and hints that Lewis was preparing stiffer money demands on coal operators. Increased nervous liquidation and profit-taking sent prices down between fractions and one dollar on a fairly broad front. Heading the decline were leading steels motors rubbers, chemicals, woollens, televisions and rails. American woollen were an outstanding soft spot initially declining nearly seven points to 24 on the sale of a large block before recovering to 25-5/8. The selling reflected the omission of common dividend and very poor preliminary 1949 earnings. At noon the averages were industrials 201.28 and rails 54.37.

Despite late news that the softcoal negotiations were making no headway most sections succeeded in reducing their earlier declines. Late trading saw only a predominance of mostly fractional losses. Some heaviness again developed near the close and the market finished, showing a majority of losses mostly ranging to about one dollar. American woollen closed nearly six points down at 24-3/4. The market closed heavy.

NEW YORK STOCK EXSHANGE

NEW YORK, Feb. 16

American Telephone and Telegraph	149-3 8
Amerex Holding Co.	24-3/4
Anaconda Copper Mining	29-1 4
Chase National Bank	38-1/2
Firestone Tyre	58
General Electric	45-1/8
General Motors	74-5/8
Ingersoll Rand	68
International Nickel Ex Dividend	27-3/4
National City Bank	46
New York Central Rail Road	12-3/8
Sinclair Oil Co	22-1/8
Socony Vacuum Oil	16
Texas Corporation	60-1/4
Union Carbide	42-5/8
U. S. Smelting and Refining	38-1/2
U. S. Steel Common	29-1/2
Western Union "A"	21-1/8

The volume of business on the New York Stock Exchange was 1,920,000 shares.

The Highest and Lowest U. S Steel trading prices were 29-5/8 and 29-3 8 respectively.

CHICAGO GRAINS

CHICAGO, Feb. 16.

CHICAGO GRAINS drifted irregularly lower under scattered liquidation and hedging encountering limited support from commercial and export interests. The relaxation of restrictions by the Commodity Credit Corporation on sales of maize, oats and barley to Marshall plan countries is expected to add to free supply of grain for export. It is reported that C.C.C. late yesterday sold some barley to exporters.

CHICAGO WHEAT

CHICAGO, Feb. 16.

March	2.18-1/2
May	2.08-3/8
July	1.90-3/8
September	1.90.7 8

LONDON WHEAT

LONDON, Feb 16.

Australian Wheat 121/0 Feb. March. London Exchanges unchanged.

LONDON COPRA MARKET

LONDON, Feb. 16.

The copra market was irregular Straights/Dutch East Indies fair merchantable February-March shipment was held for £83 per ton c.i.f., while Philippines February-March shipment was cheaper at 183 dollars per ton f.o.b.

The coconut oil market was quietly steady. Straits February-March shipment in bulk was quoted at £123 per ton c.i.f. Ceylon was unquoted.

LONDON BULLION

LONDON, Feb 16.

London: Silver Spot and Forward both 64 pence Gold Bars Fine per oz £12-8-0.

N. Y. SILVER SALES

Demand was well sustained and open market dealings approximated 200,000 ounces at unchanged level.

CONTINENTAL STOCK EXCHANGES

PARIS, Feb. 16.

The bourse was dull under a shadow cast by the political uncertainties, trouble over the leakage of military information in Indo-China and the new strike threats. Business did broaden slightly but much consisted of professional liquidation. Bankings selected issues recorded minor improvements but many sections turned heavier. Foreign issues were rather irregular although oils were enlivened by the advance in shell. Rentes were mostly unchanged.

BRUSSELS. Weakness was evident in thin markets. The issue supported in recent sessions proved vulnerable to profit-taking particularly coals. The announcement of a probable introduction on the Paris forward market enabled wagon lits ordinary to display resistance.

AMSTERDAM: The market was again inactive with no special features. Public and professional operators continue a waiting attitude. Industrials finished barely steady.

LONDON STOCK EXCHANGE

LONDON, Feb 16.

	£
2-1 2 p.c. British Consols	70-3/4
3-1/2 p.c. Conversion Loan 1961	94-1/4
4 p.c. Funding Loan 1950/90	107-3/8
3-1 2 p.c. War Loan on or after Dec 1st 1952	92-5/8
Chartered Bank of India	10-7/16
Hongkong and Shangnai Bank	87-3 4
National Bank of India	32

Transactions on the London Stock Exchange are officially placed at 5,898 shares

FOREIGN SECURITIES ON PARIS EXCHANGE

PARIS, Feb. 16.

The French Finance Ministry today informed the bourse authorities that it has authorised the introduction of a new list of securities on the forward market effective March 1st. Forward dealings of the following will be allowed on the forward market; Banque Ettomane, Canadian Pacific, Central Mining, Credit Foncier Egypt, East Geddid, Rio Tinto Ordinary, Royal Dutch one thousand guilder, Union Corporation bearer shares, Wagons Lits ordinary, and on the curb market of Francowyoming, Canadian Eagle ordinary, Mexican Eagle new ordinary, Shell transport, Anglo-American Corporation, British South-Africa Debeers ordinary, Goldfields ordinary, Johnnesburg consolidated randmines Transvaal mining, rensantelope unionmmere, haut katanga, part Modderfontein areas and Westrand.

NEW YORK PEPPER MARKET

NEW YORK, Feb. 16.

The pepper market was quit but steady spots holding around 1.45 dollars per pound and all other positions holding at from 1.45 to 1.46. There was a fair enquiry slightly below the

NEW RECORD LEVELS OF INDO-BRITISH TRADE

Large Imports Of Machinery In 1949

The outstanding features of U. K. trade with India in the full year 1949 were very similar to those shown by the 1948 returns. There was again an expansion in the total value of mutual trade. U.K. exports to India increased to a level much higher than that recorded in 1948 and exports of machinery again dominated the picture. U.K. imports from India also increased; tea imports again accounted for a large proportion of the total.

The total value of mutual trade between the U.K. and India in 1949 amounted to £215 million, an increase of nearly 12 per cent on the 1948 figure of £193 million Exports from the U.K. to India rose by 21 per cent from £97 million in 1948 to £117 million in 1949. Total imports into the U.K. from India increased by 2 per cent from £96 million in 1948 to £98 million in 1949.

U.K. EXPORTS TO INDIA

In 1949 India was the third largest market for British exports of all kinds and took some 7 per cent of U.K. exports to all countries in the world.

Details of U.K. exports to India are shown in the statistical appendix, Tables III and IV. The increase of approximately one-fifth in total exports for the year as a whole is reflected in all but three of the 12 major items shown in Table III. Increases were particularly noticeable in exports of machinery; vehicles; electrical goods and apparatus; cotton yarns and manufactures; and chemicals, drugs, dyes and colours.

During the second half of the year there was an appreciable fall in certain U.K. exports to India, resulting from changes in India's import licensing policy made in order to check the adverse trend in India's balance of payments. This is illustrated by dividing the year into two six-monthly periods. In the first half of 1949 the average monthly total of U.K. exports to India was £12.2 million, whereas in the second half of the year the average fell to £7.3 million, a reduction of some 40 per cent.

LARGE MACHINERY EXPORTS

Exports of machinery from Britain to India in 1949, as in previous years, was by far the largest and most important item of total U.K exports. It accounted for roughly one-third of total British exports to India. In 1949 India received approximately one-seventh of total British machinery exports to the world as a whole, a figure which represented nearly twice the value of machinery exports to any other individual country Not only was there an increase in the value of U.K. exports of machinery to India, but there was also a substantial increase in the actual volume of these exports. Thus in 1949 Britain exported to India 140,000 tons of machinery, compared with 121,000 tons in 1948. In terms of value, machinery export to India in 1949 amounted to £39 million compared with £34 million in the previous year, an increase of almost 15 per cent.

Details of the 16 most important individual machinery export items are shown in Table IX of the appendix. In almost every category of machinery exports, India was the largest market. The significance of textile machinery exports is clear from the fact that they accounted for a little more than one-quarter of the total of all types of machinery.

Exports of machinery during the second half of 1949 were much less affected by changes in India's import licensing policy than exports of other items. During the first half of the year, the monthly average of machinery exports to India amounted to £3.5 million. The average for the second half of the year declined by 14 per cent to £3 million.

Exports of iron and steel manufactures and vehicles were also maintained at a fairly steady level throughout the year. They amounted to 82,000 tons as compared with 66,000 tons in 1948.

U.K. IMPORTS FROM INDIA

As in previous years, food and raw materials predominated in U.K. imports from India. As a source of supply for U.K. imports India ranked fifth, contributing nearly 5 per cent of total U.K. imports

Tea was again by far the largest import item and at £41.7 million in 1949 it increased by 19 per cent over the 1948 figure. Tea imports during the year accounted for some 42 per cent of total U.K. imports from India. Moreover, approximately two-third of India's tea exports to the world, are now being absorbed in the U.K. market.

Next in importance by value were jute manufactures at £10.7 million, although this figure was substantially smaller than in 1948. An interesting increase occurred in imports of tobacco which, at £5.6 million, were almost double the 1948 figure. Imports of leather and manufactures rose sharply by 42 per cent to £10.3 million.

There were appreciable reductions in imports of seeds and nuts for oils and raw cotton and waste Raw jute imports were also smaller.

PRINCIPAL EXPORTS AND IMPORTS
£ 000

	Full Year 1948	Full Year 1949
Total All Exports	96,621	117,056
Of which:—		
Machinery	33,655	38,946
Vehicles (including ships and locomotives)	13,080	15,771
Electrical goods & apparatus	6,557	9,255
Chemicals, drugs dyes & colours	9,044	10,252
Total all Imports	96,2266	98,218
Of which:—		
Tea	35,049	41,746
Jute Manufactures	15,588	10,691
Raw jute	5,971	5,206
Leather and manufactures	7,224	10,288

PRINCIPAL IMPORTS
(£ 000)

	Full 1948	Year 1949
Total All Imports	96,266	98,218
Of which:		
Tea	35,049	41,746
Tobacco	2,956	5,614
Other none-metalliferous mining & quarry products	1,435	1,090
Non-ferrous metalliferous ores & scrap*	883	1,143
Raw cotton and cotton waste	3,138	1,448
Wool, raw & waste and woollen rags	1,797	1,900
Raw jute	5,971	5,206
Seeds & nuts for oils, oils, fats, resins & gums	9,572	5,231
Hides & skins, undressed	1,111	1,828
Woollen & worsted yarns & manufactures@	1,600	1,631
Coir mate & matting	1,789	2,084
Jute manufactures	15,588	10,691
Oils, fats & resins, manufactured	958	486
Leather and manufactures	7,224	10,288

* mainly manganese ore.
@ mainly carpets, floor rugs, etc.

PRINCIPAL EXPORTS
(£ 000)

	Full 1948	Year 1949
Total All Exports	96,621	117,059
Of which:—		
Machinery	33,655	38,946
Vehicles (including ships and locomotives)	13,080	15,771
Iron & Steel & manufactures	4,177	5,106
Pottery, glass, abrasives, etc.	1,396	2,198
Non-ferrous metals & manufactures	2,729	3173
Cutlery, hardware, implements & instruments	2,653	3,330
Electrical goods & apparatus	6,557	9,255
Cotton yarns & manufactures	7,049	10,954
Woollen & worsted yarns & manufactures	3,602	3,220
Silk & artificial silk yarns & manufactures	900	2,341
Chemicals, drugs, dyes & colours	9,044	10,252
Paper, Cardboard etc.	1,766	1,765

U. K. MACHINERY EXPORTS TO INDIA
(£ 000)

	Full 1948	Year 1949
Total Machinery	33,655	38,946
Of which:—		
Boilers & boilerhouse plant	1,023	1,585
Boilers, water tube	1,004	1,045
Other	447	1,045
Cranes & other lifting machinery	447	535
Electrical machinery Generators	1,163	1,070
Motors & parts	1,298	1,442
Other descriptions	2,299	3,417
Machine tools (metal working)	2,308	2,468
Mining machinery, other than portable power tools	291	383
Internal combustion engines		
Marine	222	385
Other	2,130	3,302
Printing, bookbinding, etc. machines	827	819
Pumps	738	500
Refrigerating machinery	193	244
Road rollers	754	184
Sugar making & refining machinery	622	700
Textile machinery	8,969	10,074

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DEFICIT BUDGET FOR SOUTH AFRICA

CAPETOWN, Feb. 16. (PTI-Reuter): Finance Minister N. O. Havenga told the South African Assembly today that there might again be a budget deficit but the overall financial position of the Treasury had improved.

Speaking on the Part Appropriation Bill which passed its second reading, the Finance Minister said no deficit would be so large as to need important taxation increases.

Draft Standard For Sliding Door Bolts

NEW DELHI, Feb. 17, (PTI): The Engineering Hardware Sectional Committee of the Indian Standards Institution has drafted a standard for sliding door bolts for use with padlocks, it was officially learnt here.

The draft aims at eliminating unnecessary varieties as to form and dimensions and limiting production to such varieties as are essential to the house-building trade.

2 Dead, 41 Hurt In Colombo Bus Accident

COLOMBO, Feb. 17, (PTI-Reuter): Two passengers were killed and forty-one others seriously injured on Tuesday last when a fully loaded bus proceeding to the hill town of Kandy smashed through a culvert and plunged into a river, 30 feet below.

TIMBER MERCHANT LOOTED

Bibinagar Case Evidence

SECUNDERABAD, Feb. 17 (UPI): Bangari Rajayya, a timber merchant, gave his evidence today before the Special Tribunal trying Syed Kasim Razvi and five other Razakars. He said that when the Razakars knocked at his door on the day of occurrence, he had in his hand, a jewellery box containing jewels and other valuables.

As soon as the door was unlocked he took the box away from a back door. The door was probably opened by his mother as they were being threatened with dire consequences. While trying to bolt away with the previous possession he was pursued by other Razakars who happened to notice him.

They overtook him, snatched away the box and after assaulting him threw him into a well which was fortunately dry. A cowboy was attracted by his groans and he was eventually rescued from there. He remained unconscious and confined to bed for a considerable period.

INDEFINITE DETENTION OF REDS

AHMEDABAD, Feb 16 (PTI): Two detenus of the Sabarmati central jail Mr. Mahendra Shantilal Shah and Mr Humakant Makashi who were recently sentenced to six weeks imprisonment by special judge for forming unlawful assembly in jail were served with a notice of indefinite detention today on the expiry of their sentence.

NEPALESE PREMIER IN DELHI

NEW DELHI, Feb. 17 (PTI): A salvo of 21 guns greeted the Prime Minister of Nepal, Maharaja Mohun Shumshere Jung Bahadur Rana, as he alighted at the ceremonial platform at New Delhi today on his first goodwill visit to Republican India.

The Nepal Prime Minister and his party of nearly 60 army and civil officials were brought here from Raxaul in a special train provided by the Government of India.

The Nepal Prime Minister, who is also the Supreme Commander-in-Chief of Nepal, was received at the station by Prime Minister, Pandit Nehru and the Defence Minister Sardar Baldev Singh. Pandit Nehru then introduced to him the Nepalese Ambassador in India Commanding General Singha, the Indian Foreign Secretary Mr. K. P. S. Menon and Mr. C. P. N. Singh, Indian Ambassador in Nepal.

U.K. ELECTION WILL NOT BE CONCLUSIVE

Another NeRt Year Says Frank Owens

(From Our Correspondent)

LONDON, Feb. 17.

There will be a second General Election before the year will be out said Frank Owens, Editor "The Daily Mail". Whatever party is elected on February 23, it will have narrow majority and so will not be able to hold for long. It is feared there may be a serious split in both Tory as well as Labour parties.

Younger Conservatives will burn the Tory hut while their leader is sleeping while if Labour is defeated an attempt may be made to overthrow the present leadership.

While the Editor of "Daily Express" feels Tories will win Kingsley Martin, Editor "New Statesman" believes Socialists will get the lead.

New Road Indicator For Aircraft

BOMBAY, Friday.

A special type of road indicator devices to assist air-craft during nights are to be tried out on the taxi-track adjoining the existing runways and leading to the apron in front of the terminal building at the Santa Cruz airport.

Known as the "cats eye", this equipment is the first of its kind to be tried out in any of the aerodromes in India. The Civil Aviation authorities are working out details for this purpose.

"Fool-Proof" Biscuit Barrel

A "fool-proof" biscuit barrel, which is described as "practically indestructible" will be among the exhibits which will be on show at the British Industries Fair, opening in London and Birmingnam on May 8 The Birmingham firm which manufactures the barrel claims that it will neither warp nor crack in the hottest or most humid of climates.

An entirely new patented process has been employed in the manufacture of the barrel, which is attractively finished in electro-plated nickel silver

FREED: The 3805-ton Chinese Nationalist steamer "Union Builder" sailed from Sydney harbour February 16 after being freed from "arrest."

Strangle Hold Of Imperial Preference On India's Trade

DR. LANKA SUNDARAM ON WHY U. S. IS UNWILLING TO SIGN PACT WITH US

BOMBAY, Friday.

IF AMERICA today was unwilling and unable to enter into a treaty of friendship and commerce with India, it was because of the strangle-hold which imperial preference had over the pattern of trade in this country. "As long as this preference continues as an article of faith of our economic and fiscal policies, we cannot properly channelise our trade to our own advantage."

Thus observed Dr. Lanka Sundaram speaking on 'The Changing Patterns of India's Foreign Trade' under the joint auspices of the Democratic Group of the Indian Merchants' Chamber and the Commerce Graduates' Association in Bombay today.

He charged the Government of India with not taking counsel at the highest level before framing economic and trade policies injurious to the country and with allowing themselves to be lobbied into granting licences to individuals and groups of individuals who had already brought into disrepute the commercial integrity of our people.

"There is a greater Tammany Hall in India in respect of trade policy than three ever was in New York", he declared.

APPEASING PAKISTAN

Deploring the policy of appeasement which the Government of India were pursuing towards Pakistan, Dr Sundaram said: "We are unable to meet the raging economic and commercial tornado which Pakistan has unleashed against us, and which had already cost us about Rs. 350 crores." And this policy was being pursued, he said, in spite of the fact that Pakistan had "stabbed us in the back" by entering into trade relations with South Africa and constituting itself into a sort of an agency for the purchase of Indian goods by that country. Yet India was still weak and vacillating in her policy towards her sister dominion, even though her trade sanctions against South Africa had been costing her about Rs. 10 crores per annum, he remarked.

WANTED REALISTIC APPROACH

Dr. Sundaram said that the principle ingredients of India's foreign trade were: Imperial preference, particularly in favour of Britain, who was enjoying preference ranging from 5 per cent to 64 per cent; the investment of foreign capital to the extent of Rs. 900 crores, as a result of which a bulk of the profits were being drained out of the country; Government's inability to pursue a truly national tariff policy as was evident from their acceptance of the Havana Charter as an article of faith even though it was not favourable to India; and the sterling balances releases, the manner, spacing and convertibility of which in hard currency determined, to some extent, the changing pattern of India's foreign trade.

As a result of the foregoing factors, he said, India, who had always enjoyed a favourable balance of trade amounting in 1941-42 to Rs. 800 crores was faced in 1949 with an adverse balance of Rs. 200 crores.

He, therefore, pleaded for a more realistic approach in framing trade policies, as well as for the need of careful and thoughtful planning, free from pressure from within and from influence of Britain, and after taking counsel at the highest level in the ultimate interests of the economy of the whole country.

SETTLEMENT HOSTEL FOR WOMEN

Warden's Appeal For Contributions

BOMBAY, Friday.

The Settlement Hostel, Byculla, is holding a sale on February 25 for the purpose of raising funds for the maintenance of its fabric.

The hostel has 60 students of all castes and creeds, who attend the various colleges in Bombay city, and it seeks to provide, not only for board and lodging for students, but a cultural, educational and international background based on friendship, sympathy and right personal relationships.

The Hostel warden has appealed to those interested in the cause of women's education to help the institution with donations or contribution in kind.

Labour Conference On March 20

(From Our Correspondent).

NEW DELHI, Feb. 18.

The next session of the Indian Labour Conference will be held here on March 20 and 21. The Labour Minister, Shri Jagjiwanram will preside.

The Conference has been specially called to consider and express itself on two labour bills, namely the Labour Relations Bill and the Trade Union Bill, which are due for introduction during the current Session of Parliament The Labour Conference is a tripartite organisation, representative of Government, employers and workers.

Corporation: Week By Week

(Continued from Page 6)

ficer's Report puts it at 17,000 and odd. There is some dissatisfaction about the way in which this figure is arrived at and there was a suggestion during the debate that the ration cards should be referred to in arriving at the number of non-attending children.

Whatever be the number, however, it is admitted on all hands that a very large number of children who should be in the schools are still out. The real difficulty in strict enforcement of the scheme of compulsory primary education is the lack of finance. According to the Secretary of the Schools Committee the total expenditure incurred on primary education by the Corporation during the year 1947-48 was Rs. 84.20 lakhs out of which the Government gave only Rs. 9.45 lakhs. If the Government were to contribute half the cost as done in case of other Municipalities and Local Bodies the Corporation should receive Rs. 42 lakhs. Even if the Shroff Committee's recommendation is accepted the Corporation should receive Rs. 21 lakhs. In view of the fact that one of the Directive Principles of State policy in our Constitution lays down that the State should endeavour to provide for free and compulsory education for all children until they complete fourteen years and also in view of the Bhise Committee Report that within a decade from now, atleast half the child population, of the age group 11 to 14 should be at school, something more vigorous needs to be done in the enforcement of the compulsory scheme by the Government.

BASIC EDUCATION

As the finances available for the primary education are so limited it will not be wise to accept the resolution as it is of Mr. Talyarkhan advocating the conversion of the existing schools into basic schools at an early date which has been sent to the Schools Committee for disposal. No one denies the value of basic education in developing a child's personality and creative talent. It is also true that a body like the Bombay Corporation should take a lead in carrying out the research in this valuable field and should give the basic education scheme a fair trial.

What the Schools Committee can immediately do is to establish some basic schools in the areas where the craftsmen predominate and introduce a curriculum based on their crafts in these schools. A close watch on the working of these schools must be kept and the experts on the basic education should be requested to help the Corporation by examining the working of these schools and making suggestions for their improvement. Such pilot schools will be a valuable guide to the Corporation to make up their minds finally whether the basic schools can flourish in urban atmosphere or not.

Let us hope that the Schools Committee will consider all these aspects before arriving at a decision on this important resolution and will not just shelve it on the plea of a lack of funds.

CALCUTTA INVESTIGATION

The Calcutta Corporation Investigation Commission has just submitted its final report. The commission was set up on the 15th April 1948 under West Bengal Act XII of 1948. The terms of reference were very wide and the investigation was intended to cover the whole field of Calcutta's Municipal administration including the functioning of the Corporation of Calcutta for the last 25 years, the causes which had led to its progressive deterioration and to suggest remedies by way of legislation or otherwise for the better working of the Corporation in the future. The Commission submitted an Interim Report on June 11, 1949, and now the Final Report is before the West Bengal Government.

According to the press summary the Commission has recommended the substitution of the American Council 'Manager of City Government' plan for the British pattern of Municipal administration now obtaining. This would mean a complete differentiation between the policy-making and administrative functions of the Corporation.

Some such recommendation was expected from the careful perusal of the Interim Report. According to the paragraph 23 of the Interim Report the chief cause of the deterioration in the affairs of the Calcutta Corporation was the fact that in actual practice, not only the Corporation, but each individual Councillor claimed to be the supreme authority and functioned as such in the executive sphere, demoralising and corrupting the whole administration. The result was that 'the executive head of the administration was made more and more dependent on the good graces of the Councillors, his authority curtailed and weakened to an incredible extent, striking at the root of responsibility and undermining discipline and efficiency all round

Naturally the Committee has now recommended the American Plan under which there is a complete differentiation between the policy making and administrative functions. The Council would determine the policy, control, raise and appropriate funds, levy taxes and raise loans, while the Administrative Officer, to be chosen by the Council would supervise the working of the various administrative departments and also make all appointments. He would thus be completely in charge of the administrative machinery. If this scheme is accepted it will be interesting to watch its functioning.

AZAD MEETS FAZLUL HUQ

CALCUTTA, Feb. 17. (PTI): The Education Minister, Maulana Abul Kalam Azad, had a talk this morning with Mr. A. K. Fazlul Huq, former Premier of undivided Bengal on the present situation in Calcutta.

Later, Mr. Satish Chandra Das Gupta of Khadi Pratisthan and Mr S. M. Ghosh, President of the West Bengal Congress Committee, called on the Maulana at Government House.

Seasonal Demand For Funds Persists

LONGS SQUARE UP BUSINESS IN SHARES OWING TO EXTENSIVE BUDLAS

(From Our Special Correspondent).

BOMBAY, Feb. 17.

The money market remained steady during the week under review with interbank rate for call quoted unchanged at 1/2 per cent three months' deposits at 1-1/2 per cent and six months at 1-3/4 per cent per annum. The seasonal demand for funds appears to be responsible for this condition. During the week ending 10th February 1950, Government of India Treasury bills for Rs. 2 crores were sold in favour of the Reserve Bank of India.

The weekly statements of the Reserve Bank of India for the period ending 10th February 1950 reveals a further rise of Rs 12.01 crores in Notes in circulation to Rs. 1145.26 crores. The total note issue is up by Rs. 8.47 crores to Rs. 1156.71 crores. Notes held in the Banking department declined by Rs. 354.76 lacs. Against this, holdings of foreign assets advanced by Rs. 10 crores. In the Banking Department, Government Deposits as well as Bank's deposits are down by Rs. 27.50 lacs and Rs. 97 48 lacs respectively. Balances held abroad showed a further recession by Rs. 369.44 lacs to Rs. 195.17 crores.

GILT-EDGED

The stalemate in gilt-edged values continued during the week under review. In view of the General Budget at the end of the month, there is lack of interest on the part of investors. 3 per cent Conversion Loan, in absence of support receded to Rs. 97-1. All other dated bonds, both short and long-dated, remained unchanged throughout the week. 3 per cent 1963-65 loan remained static at Rs. 100-4 and 3 per cent 1966-68 loan at Rs. 100-2. 2½ per cent 1960 loan closed at Rs. 96-11 and 2 3/4 p.c. loan at Rs. 99-1. 4 per cent 1960-70 loan continued to be quoted at Rs. 110-2, 3 1/2 per cent 1955-60 loan at Rs. 110-4 and 4 1/2 per cent 1958-68 loan at Rs. 112-12.

A Finance Ministry's notification dated the 13th February 1950 announces that the Government of India notify that the whole of 4½ per cent 1950-55 Rupee Loan issued as counterpart of the 4½ per cent Sterling Loan 1950-55, in accordance with the Government of India Finance Department Notification dated 22nd February 1940 will be repaid at par on May 15, 1950, with all interest upto date. Interest will not accrue on the loan from and after May 15, 1950 The outstandings are about Rs. 6.75 crores

EXCHANGE

The rupee/sterling exchange market continued steady with moderate turnover. For interbank transactions sellers of spot T.T. on London quoted 1s. 5-31/32d and buyers 1s. 6d. Merchant rates fixed by the Exchange Banks' Association were unchanged as under:—

Sellers of T.T. on London spot	1s. 5-31/32d
Sellers of T.T. on London upto six months	1s. 5-15/16d
Buyers of T.T. on London spot & upto 3 months	1s. 6-1/16d

GOLD

After a steady opening, prices in the gold section of the bullion market declined on nervous selling. The decision of the Bullion Exchange Association to call for a margin of Rs. 6 per tola has curtailed the activities in the forward section. Ready gold opened at Rs. 117-4 and fluctuating between this and Rs. 116-9 fell to Rs. 114-14 on Thursday, but closed at Rs. March settlement was quoted at a premium of 3 to 4 annas over ready. Sovereign prices continued to be quoted at Rs. 75-12. The floating stocks of the metal are estimated at about 75.000 tolas. Gold arrivals averaged at 7000 tolas and the daily offtake at about 5000 tolas The highest and lowest rates touched during the week were Rs 117-4 and Rs. 114-13 for ready and Rs. 117-8 and Rs. 115 for forward.

SILVER

After a steady opening, the silver market developed weakness during the latter part, following varying rumours suggestive of larger supplies of the metal becoming available in the near future. There was considerable selling pressure towards the close and ready suffered a drop from Rs. 188-8 to Rs. 183-1 on Thursday, but recovered slightly on profit-taking and closed at Rs. 180-13. The present stocks of ready silver in the market is so small, about 3500 bars, that, unless fresh supplies are made available from some source, the present high level of prices will continue. The discount on forward rates widened from two annas to four annas at the close. The average daily offtake is reported to be poor at about 30 bars. The highest and lowest rates touched were Rs. 188-8 and Rs. 180-13 for ready and Rs. 188-6 and Rs 180-7 for forward.

SHARES

Prices in the Stock Exchange moved within comparatively narrow range during the period under report and the volume of turnover was restricted. This being the end of the settlement week, there was a tendency on the part of longs to square up the business in view of the extensive budla charges. The proximity of the General Budget is an additional reason for the narrow trend in all sections.

In the Steel section, Tata Defds. after moving up from Rs. 1640 to Rs. 1656 declined to Rs. 1630 at the close. Likewise, Tata Ordys. after touching Rs. 329 eased to Rs. 323.

In the textile group Bombay Dyings lost about 20 points from the high level touched during the mid week of Rs. 1100 owing to budli difference working out at about 15 per cent. Kohinoors were fairly steady improving from Rs 303 to Rs. 308 at the close. Simplex shares ranged between Rs. 193 and Rs. 194-8 and Swadeshis between Rs 271 and Rs. 269.

Electric shares were quieter towards the close Andura Valleys easing from Rs. 1435 to Rs. 1430, and Tata Powers from Rs 1550 to Rs 1530 Among Bank shares Imperial Bank Fully Paids ranged between Rs. 1737/8 and Rs 1747/8 and partly paids between 435 and Rs. 436/4. Central Banks were unchanged at about Rs 84 and Bank of Indias at Rs. 179

In the miscellaneous section Assid. Cements were easier at Rs 145 12 as against last week's close of Rs 148 8. Bombay Burma Olds fell from Rs. 370 10 to Rs 3.3 12 Belapurs from Rs 224 to Rs 218 and Scindias from Rs 13 10 to Rs. 13 5

CALCUTTA—Uncertainty continued to prevail in the Calcutta market and prices were on the whole easier during the week

KASHMIR TALKS NEXT WEEK?

No Concessions From India

NEW YORK, Feb 16. The Indian Delegation to the United Nations is awaiting the next meeting of the Security Council firm in the knowledge that her basic standpoint in the Kashmir dispute has been made unmistakably clear to every one concerned and that her case does not allow of further "concessions", cables D. P. Wagle PTI Correspondent.

When the Council adjourned on February 10 it was generally assumed that allowing for the "consultations" the President had envisaged the next meeting would be held some time during the week beginning February 13.

DATE NOT FIXED

Dr. Carlos Blanco of Cuba, President of the Council for February, told the Press Trust of India today, that he was thinking in terms of a meeting next week, but he was still undecided on the point. It was his belief, he said, that the various delegations were still studying the arguments advanced by India and Pakistan during last week's debate or were awaiting the comments of their governments on them.

He said he would fix a date as soon as he knew that the delegations were ready for meeting. The date might be in the coming week or the week after he added.

Dr Blanco said he was quite in the dark as to how the Security Council would proceed to remove the deadlock He himself had no suggestions to make as President

When the question was taken up again, he would call upon the members to make their comments on the situation as presented by the unfruitful McNaughton proposals—the report on which constitutes the agenda for the meeting

Enquiries at all the ten delegations now participating in the work of the Security Council showed that their work on the Kashmir question had been limited during the last six days to studies of the speeches of Mr. B. N. Rau and Sir Mohammed Zafrullah Khan and that so far there had been no exchange of ideas between the representatives based on the debates. All delegations had communicated to their governments the main features of the proceedings and some had asked for fresh directives if any.

Mr Mahmoud Fawzi Bey, the Egyptian Delegate has gone to Cairo for "consultations" which may include Kashmir

He is expected to return to Lake Success next week.

Mr Arne Sunde of Norway said that at the December meetings of the Security Council certain delegations appeared strongly to support the McNaughton proposals "I cannot say" he said "whether there has been any change in their opinion since".

It was Mr Sunde who had proposed in December that the then President General A G L McNaughton of Canada be requested to negotiate between India and Pakistan.

Chemical-Resisting Plastic Packings

The first demonstration has just been given in London of plastic gland packings—one of Britain's latest export industries. Already overseas orders have been received for this unique material from Egypt and from Persia and South America for use in oil refining.

Known as "CF-3" the material is slippery and resilient in texture and is fabricated from a new thermoplastic of great physical strength. It withstands the corrosion and solvent action of any known acid or chemical even at temperature as high as 450 deg F or as low as 60 deg. F. It has particular application in branches of the oil food and chemical industries where ordinary packings fail owing to difficult chemicals or heavy and continuous process work.

GERMANY'S ECONOMIC POLICY

BONN Feb 16 (PTI-Reuter): After a four-hour face-to-face review of West Germany's much criticised economic policy the three Western High Commissioners told Chancellor Konrad Adenauer and five of his Ministers today to put their explanations in writing.

Then the Commissioners said they will meet the Germans again.

According to German quarters failure to combat unemployment now nearing two million lack of measures to stop the dollar drain, failure to produce an effective import plan concentrating on essentials and lack of a programme to improve agricultural production, have been the chief complaints from the Western Allies.

It was reported that each Minister in turn defended his Department They were ultimately told to put these views in writing.

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They Are Meant To Keep The Sailor Trim And Ships Up To The Mark . . . .

NAVAL EXERCISES IN INDIA

Destroyers Participate For The First Time

THE Indian Naval Squadron led by INS "DELHI", the flagship, will carry out exercises between February 27 and March 2, in conjunction with units of the Royal Navy.

The Indian Squadron will consist apart from the flagship of the three newly arrived destroyers, four frigates and a landing ship INS "AVENGER." The exercises will be under the command of Admiral Sir Charles Woodhouse, R.N., C-in-C. East Indies Station.

Fleet exercises are a very necessary part of naval training. For more than a year now, since INS "DELHI" arrived in India on September 15, 1948, naval exercises have been going on from time to time. But this is the first time that the destroyers are joining the Indian Squadron for the exercises.

WHY THOSE EXERCISES

A sailor's mettle is shown of course only on the sea. He has to be tough and alert. But what is equally important, he must know how to work in combination with others on his side. Similarly ships taken by themselves may be efficiently manned and run, but to operate in formation with other ships is a necessary qualification if the entire navy is to be successful in action. Sea-training provides experience in steaming and manoeuvring in company in close formation and tactical exercises both by day and by night. Each ship must know how to receive orders from the leading ship and how to carry them out. Rather, each ship must be trained to do so and have enough practice. That is the object of fleet exercises being constantly carried out. They keep the man and ships trim and up to the mark.

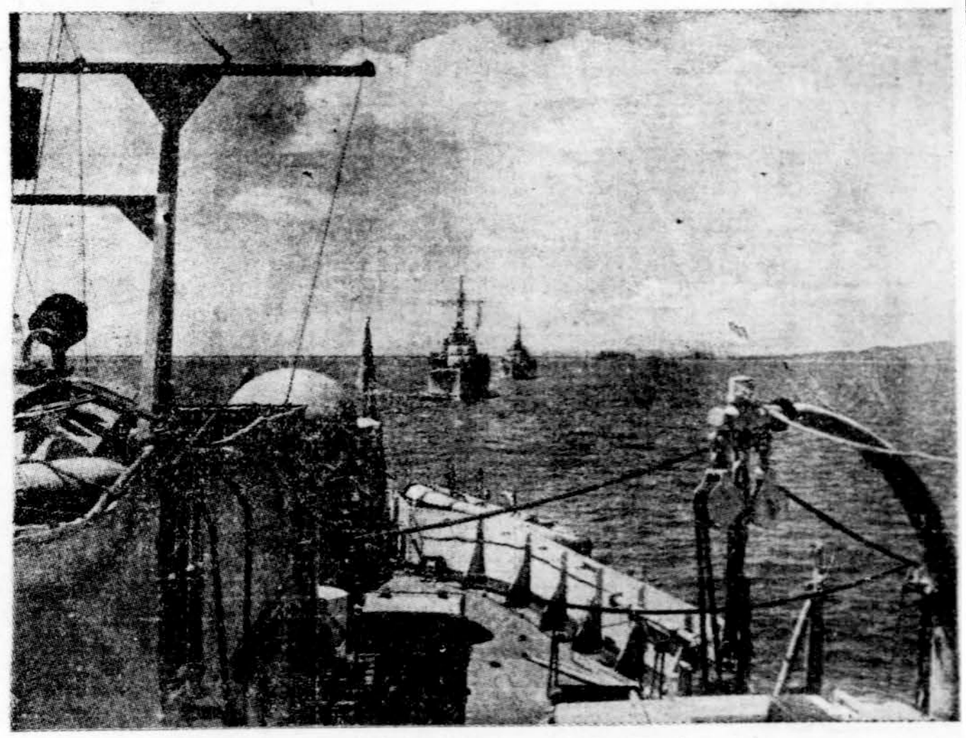
Sea training has to proceed uninterruptedly if the fleet is to reach an appreciable state on naval efficiency, just as a physical culturist must keep himself in constant practice in order to be fit when the occasion arises. Besides, exercises help in study and research on problems relating to the development of new weapons and devices of naval warfare. The naval scientist is then able to study inventions in operation and then in his laboratory to think of modifications in them or of new inventions.

SUITABLE PLACE

Tentatively it is considered that for sea exercises the Palk Strait area would be suitable at any rate when the monsoon is not on. It consists of a sheet of water 20 miles x 30 miles and is away from the main sea lanes.

It is hardly necessary to say that the exercises which will take place towards the end of this month and the beginning of the next are merely of a routine nature calculated to improve naval efficiency—they have no other object.

I.N.S. "Delhi" drops a depth charge.



Naval manoeuvres by Indian Navy Squardron in the Indian Ocean.

CATTLE BREEDERS SEEK STATE HELP

Demand For Transport Facilities

LUCKNOW, Feb. 17, (UPI): The third All India Cattle Breeders Conference which met here under the chairmanship of Sardar Dattar Singh, Cattle Utilisation Adviser to the Government of India, recommended to the Government to provide better transport facilities for the transit of cattle and "liberal financial assistance.

In view of the importance of cattle breeding in stepping up agricultural production, the Conference suggested that improvement of cattle should be included in the purview of the "Grow-More Food" campaign and should be entitled to the assistance, financial as well as technical, rendered under the "Grow-More Food" scheme.

FOOD RATIONING MAY GO IN KARACHI

Over Five Lakhs Tons Surplus Wheat

(From Our Correspondent).)

KARACHI, Feb. 17: The Government of Pakistan, it is learnt, have decided to do away soon with the foodgrains rationing in the Federal Capital as well as in some other places in the Western Pakistan.

This decision, it is learnt, has been taken on account of abundance of food available in this part of the country so much so that over five lakh tons of surplus wheat earmarked for export out of the last year's yield, are still lying at Karachi unlifted on account of high price as a result of the non-devaluation policy of the Pakistan Government.

The authorities expect still better yield this year and consequently much more surplus than the last year.

Naval Officer Drowned In Rameswaram Waters

MADURA, Feb 17, (PTI): One Petty Officer of the Indian Navy Mr. P. K. Kutty Menon was drowned when a boat carrying a batch of 30 ratings and officers of the I.N.S. 'Delhi' and I.N.S. 'Jumna' capsized on Sunday last in Rameshwaram waters, according to reports reaching here today.

I.N.S. 'Delhi' and I.N.S. 'Jumna' which are now on a cruise round the Indian shores anchored on February 10, six miles off the Rameshwaram shore, and rating and officers were allowed to visit the Rameshwaram Temple in batches.

SALES TAX: The Madras Government has expressed itself against the proposal of the Central Government to exempt essential commodities from sales tax.

INTER-VARSITY BOARD MEETING ON FEB. 28

Foreign Representatives To Attend

NEW DELHI, Feb. 17, (PTI): President Dr. Rajendra Prasad will inaugurate the 25th annual meeting of the inter-University Board of India to be held at Banaras Hindu University on February 28

Representatives of the universities of India, Ceylon and Burma will attend the meeting which will be presided over by Sir Ivor Jennings, Vice-Chancellor of the University of Ceylon.

During his visit, the Banaras University will, it is understood, confer on the President an honourary degree at a special convocation.

The annual meeting of the inter-University Board will mainly discuss the report of the Universities Commission appointed under the Chairmanship of Sir S. Radhakrishnan.

CONTACTS: The Indian Council for Cultural Relations, a Government sponsored organisation devoted to the objective of strengthening India's cultural contacts with other Asian countries, is expected to start functioning actively during the course of this year.

Film Studio To Be Set Up In Karachi

(From Our Correspondent)

KARACHI, Feb. 17: Arrangements are being made to establish a film studio at Karachi.

Mr Samad Noorani of Shalamar Pictures, Poona, it is learnt, has established a limited concern here with the object of producing films in Pakistan. He is shortly proceeding on tour to purchase studio equipment from U. K. and recruit technicians for it from Germany and France.

Surat Textile Mill To Re-Open

SURAT, Feb. 17, (UPI): The Gopal Mills at Broach will re-open on February 23 according to a declaration ov the management who are stated to have purchased one month's cotton quota for the mill.

SEPARATION: The Madras Government proposes to extend the scheme of separation of judiciary from the executive in six more districts of the state with effect from July this year, thus bringing the total number of the districts in which the scheme will be in operation to twelve.

ENSURING UNIFORMITY IN LABOUR AWARDS

Jagjiwan Ram Introduces New Bill In Parliament

NEW DELHI, Feb. 17, (PTI).

A comprehensive legislation governing the relationship between employers and employees, and seeking to prevent, investigate and settle labour disputes was introduced today in Parliament by Labour Minister, Mr. Jagjivan Ram.

With 132 clauses and two schedules, the Bill superceded the Industrial Disputes Act, 19497 and similar legislation obtaining in States and attempts at uniformity in the basic law by providing for the setting up of an All-India appelate tribunal with jurisdiction over all the State tribunals.

Incorporating within it the powers of rule-making and issuing of standing orders under the Industrial Employment (Standing Orders) Act, the Bill is extensive in scope and applies to all categories of employees except civil servants, persons employed in the defence forces and domestic servants

NEW AUTHORITIES

Three new authorities are envisaged in the Bill, namely Standing Conciliation Boards, Labour Courts and the Appellate Tribunal. The last named will be an authority of considerable importance and is occasioned by the fact that there is "lack of uniformity" in the awards given by the large number of tribunals in the country causing much embarrassment to employers and restlessness and expectancy among employees.

This is accentuated when conflicting decisions are given and when the employers are having establishments in more than one State.

Justifying assumption of wider jurisdiction by the Centre on the grounds of constitutional and practical difficulties, the statement of objects and reasons says: "Regulation and control of a number of industries by the Union may necessitate the regulation of labour relations in some of those industries by the Union. Power has been taken in the Bill for that purpose but the assumption of control by the Union will not be automatic or even immediate and would take place only when a situation arose warranting such a course Even in that case the States concerned would be consulted."

BASIS OF BILL

"Faith in the efficacy of friendly negotiations between an employer and his employees is the very basis of the Bill," says the statement of the Bill which bans "lightning strikes"

Under the Bill negotiations must be attempted at an early stage and it provides for a notice requiring the other party to start negotiations within seven days. If the party which receives the notice take advantage of the opportunity, negotiations must be concluded within fourteen days in the case of a public utility service and seven days in any other case.

Where negotiations break down, a fortnight'e notice is required in public utility services before a strike or lockout can be declared. A simple procedure for collective bargaining is also provided in some cases.

Other features of the Bill include provisions for grant of gratuity in case of retrenchment after due notice, the right of fthe employer to refer to a Labour Tribunal cases of "go-slow policy of employees" and the exercise of control over undertakings considered essential for the maintenance of order and life of the community.

Powers to enforce settlement and awares are also obtained for the Government under the Bill and the penalty for breach of a settlement or award has been increased and amounts due from an employer may be recovered as if they were arrears of land revenue.

A. I. T. U. C. Meeting

BOMBAY, Friday.

The Working Committee of the All-India Trade Union Congress will meet at the Central office on February 26, to consider the Labour Relation Bill as well as amendments to the Trade Unions Act as proposed by the Government of India.

The general council will meet later in the day

Chinese Refugees In Australia To Stay

CANBERRA, Feb. 17, (PTI-Reuter): The majority of six hundred Chinese wartime refugees still in Australia will be allowed to remain, it was authoritatively learned today

NEW HOUSE: The Madras Government has decided to build o new Parliament House to accommodate the Madras Assembly as it will stand constituted afted the general elections.

Rejuvenation Of Teeth

DR. RAJAN'S CALL

MADRAS, Feb. 17 (PTI): Mr. T. S. S. Rajan, Madras Public Health Minister, inaugurating the four-day session of the fifth All-India Dental Conference here today, called upon the dental surgeons to formulate a proper national plan for "dental rejuvenation and dental care."

This, he said, was an essential prerequisite for the good health of the country. Dental surgeons in India had a great part to play in dental education in the country, he added.

Over 300 delegates from all over India attended the conference, which was presided over by Dr. S. K. Majumdar, President of the All-India Dental Association.

Dr. Rajan said one of the duties imposed upon them as a nation was that "our children should be taught first to take proper care of their teeth." It was, therefore, the duty of the Conference to place before the country all those elementary principles which would fit in with India's temperament and traditions, and see that this fundamental principle of health was observed by the people.

SPECIAL RELIEF TO SICK REFUGEES

JAIPUR, Feb. 17, (PTI): The Rajasthan Government has decided to pay an additional sum of Rs. 20 per head per month by way of relief to those displaced persons suffering from tuberculosis' asthma, cancer and such other incurable diseases

IN A CHINA SHOP

By Taurus

I AM surprised at the doubtful certificate which the Chief Minister has given to Nira which, he is reported to have said, is nice but for a little smell. To those toddy drinkers who enjoying the great smell of toddy, the little smell will be but a nostalgic reminder of a happy past. For the men who (like me) detested toddy, the scent of Nira will be no less than a whiff from a stinky day. Mr. Kher has damned nira with faint praise.

I have never been acquainted with this drink which, the newspapers say, will be available in all hotels. But I came, alas, three times in contact with toddy and that is more than enough.

It was all years ago. An old doctor friend of the family had received from his lands in a North Suburb several bottles of toddy and he thought that he would share his good fortune with the family. So early one morning we all woke up to find half-a-dozen bottles nestling in a basket on the side verandah and we learnt with disgust that it "looked like toddy" and so back they would go. Some of the more adventurous of us stepped forward and sniffed at the bottles. That cured us completely of any desire to experiment.

Some time afterwards, we were out on an excursion to Bassein. And, coming back, I was seized by one of those thirsts which are irresistible and which won me in the home a rather unpleasant reputation of over-fondness for aerated waters. After much wailing, the caravan of three tongas was stopped by a wayside shop and all the party benefited by my persistence. But my glass of alleged lemonade was half toddy. I do not know what folly induced the shopkeeper to mix the drink — toddy, I take it, is the more expensive stuff — but as I dipped my face into the glass, a stunning stench caught me unawares. I spat out a good mouthful and sat dumb, the victim of mixed emotions. I would have liked a drink but the privilege of having tasted forbidden fruit was more than compensation. It was a great encouragement to virtue to find that the bad was also odorous. But I kept my discovery to myself until later when I based a whole thesis against alcohol on this experience, and was horrified still later to unlearn it all. It was a great triumph for me that I had "drunk" toddy and the others in my circle had not.

Many years passed by and I had one more close acquaintance with toddy This time I was out with a party of friends who really enjoyed the stuff and would not listen to my mild protests. Nothing would satisfy them but my actual sipping a little. I did it and was no more attracted to toddy than on that evening at Bassein. In fact, I have so strong a detestation of the stuff that even nira does not tempt me. And what is more, I have not too high an opinion of people who let themselves be inveigled into drinking it. Really should the Chief Minister's obligations involve tasting nira? Certainly not.

B.C.G. TO BRING DOWN DEATH RATE

PATNA Feb. 17, (PTI). Dr. P. B. Benjamin, Tuberculosis Adviser to the Government of India, speaking here on "anti-tuberculosis measures" last evening declared that "if we take B. C. G. vaccination on a mass scale probably in 20 or 30 years we shall be able to reduce the death rate by four-fifth.

The problem of T. B. in India is vast and to make mass vaccination in the whole of India would cost about Rs. 3 crores," he added.

CHECKING SPECULATION IN OIL-SEEDS

Delhi Convenes Conference

(FROM OUR SPECIAL CORRESPONDENT)

NEW DELHI, Feb. 17.

A CONFERENCE of representatives of State Governments has been summoned to meet here on February 27 to discuss and recommend measures for combating speculative tendencies in the oil seeds trade.

These tendencies have, on the one side hampered export trade in seeds, while on the other, prices of oil seeds have been pushed up.

In addition to banning trading in futures in the oil seeds, Government recently suspended the export of oil seeds in order to stabilise internal prices. This measure has had quite the opposite effect. Due to the temporary nature of the ban, prices have gone up, reaching new heights. According to reports, stockists are holding on to their stocks in anticipation of still higher prices.

The Conference which is being held on Government level on February 27 will have to consider what effective steps could be taken to check such speculation in oil seeds

TWO SUGGESTIONS

One suggestion made here is to prevent banks from advancing money against oil seeds Such a step, however, might penalise the honest trader as well. Another suggestion made here is to freeze stocks held by individual speculators.

The issue, as it can be seen, is full of complexities and would require very careful handling.

BRINGING SCIENCE TO THE PEOPLE

Meteorology Journal

NEW DELHI, Feb. 17 (PTI)—The Prime Minister Pandit Nehru in a message to the first number of the journal of meteorology and geophysics just published stresses the need for acquainting the people of the results of scientific research

He says: "In this age when science and the scientific spirit are entering into or should enter the every day activities of the people, it is important that the results of scientific research should be brought home to the people in an easily understandable manner".

The journal is being published by the Meteorological Department of the Government of India. With its issue, the Department's other publications "Scientific Notes" and "Technical Notes" will cease.

Carrying a wide range of contributions on scientific subjects, the journal also publishes messages from Mr. Rafi Ahmed Kidwai, Dr. S. S. Bhatnagar and Mr. A.N.K. Oala.

MUTT AND JEFF—Yeh, And It's A Long Walk Back From Coney Island — By BUD FISHER

COME ON, BOYS! TRY YOUR LUCK! THREE BALLS FOR A DIME!
3 BALLS 10¢ WIN A PRIZE
KNOCK THE THREE CATS OFF IN ONE SHOT AND WIN ANY PRIZE IN THE HOUSE!
3 BALLS WIN A PRIZE
POW!
GOOD FOR YOU, MISTER! TAKE YOUR PICK—ANY THING IN THE PLACE!
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O.K., TOOTS! GET YOUR HAT AND COAT AND LET'S GO!
3 BALLS WIN A PRIZE

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